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## JAPANESE VESSEL ABANDONED.

## KINKO MARU SINKING OFF ROCKS.

## HEAVY FOG CAUSES FURTHER CASUALTIES.

## "STANLEY" ASHORE.

The mishap to the s.s. Kinko Maru, which went on the rocks near Turnabout Island, is more serious than was at first supposed, and it is now feared that the vessel will become a total loss. Badly holed forward as the result of the crash in the fog, the vessel is reported to be gradually sinking and it is also stated that the crew have already abandoned the steamer, and have put off for shore in their own boats. They will, it is presumed, head for Foochow, and there is little fear of casualty.

As far as can be ascertained, the Kinko Maru has been so badly damaged that little hope of successful salvage is entertained.

"Stanley" Hard Aground.

In the thick fog which enveloped the waters of the Colony this morning, the Government launch Stanley, while on her way to Taipo, went hard ashore at Cape Collinson. In addition to the fog, the master had the additional difficulty to contend with that he was travelling during the dark hours.

The launch commenced her trip to Taipo, at the request of H.E. the Governor, at about 3 a.m. and after two hours travelling, in which time she had only reached a point a mile off, alongside the Harbour, and successfully negotiating Leemun Pass, the launch appears to have got off her course and gone hard ashore near Cape Collinson.

The first news of the casualty was brought in by a police patrol launch, and a Boarding Officer from the Harbour Department went immediately to the scene, followed later by the Harbour Master, Lieut.-Commander G. F. Hole, in the launch Victoria.

The Kinsing is leaving to render what assistance is possible this afternoon. Information is scanty concerning the grounding, but it is understood that the Stanley is badly damaged.

The Dutch steamer Tjilpanas, on arrival from the Straits, reports that the fog signal at Waglan was heard very indistinctly to seaward and was not distinguishable at two miles. The signal was, however, very clear to landward.

Delayed by Fog.

The s.s. On Lee failed to arrive on time last night, and it was thought that she had stranded. However, on arriving at 11.30 a.m. to-day, the master reported that it had taken 12 hours to make the passage from Kongmoon to Wang-moon, the vessel having been compelled to anchor no less than six times to await clear weather.

The s.s. Norviken carrying the paper mail from London, dated January 26th, arrived during the forenoon, two days overdue. She reports delay owing to bad weather and fog.

## STILL FEWER OUT OF WORK.

## REDUCTION WEEK BY WEEK CONTINUES.

London, Feb. 28. The latest official report gives the total number of unemployed as 1,186,700. This is 29,072 less than the week before and 59,869 less than a year ago.—British Wireless.

## EARL JELLINE.

## PRESIDENT OF THE BRITISH LEGION.

London, Feb. 28. Earl Jellicoe has accepted the Presidency of the British Legion as the branches have overwhelmingly voted in approval of the Executive Council's offer.—Reuter.

## MONROE DOCTRINE DENOUNCED.

## ARGENTINE PROTEST TO THE LEAGUE.

## "HISTORICAL TRUTH."

Geneva, Feb. 28. An echo of the recent Pan-American Conference at Havana was heard by the League of Nations Committee on arbitration and security, to-day.

The delegate of the Argentine Government drew attention to the Monroe Doctrine and objected "in the interest of historical truth" to the wording of Article 21 of the Covenant, which states:—"Nothing in the Covenant shall be deemed to affect the validity of international engagements, such as treaties of arbitration and regional understandings" like the Monroe Doctrine for maintaining peace."

The Argentine delegate described the Monroe Doctrine as a unilateral political declaration by the United States which had never been explicitly approved by the other American countries. It was therefore not a regional understanding. It was unequal; hence his protest.—Reuter.

## U.S. CLERGY WAIT ON PRESIDENT.

## DESIRE HIM TO VETO NAVY PROGRAMME.

## "WILL ALARM WORLD."

Washington, Feb. 28. President Coolidge received a delegation of clergymen to-day who came to urge him to veto the naval programme if the Bill passed the House of Representatives as it would alarm the world.

Mr. Coolidge, in reply, said the programme was moderate and could not alarm other countries.—Reuter's American Service.

Shipyards Cannot Build in Time.

Washington, Feb. 28. The Naval Committee of the House of Representatives has eliminated the requirement in the Bill increasing the Naval Appropriations, that the new cruisers should be completed within six years.

The proviso is struck out as many American shipyards will be unable to submit tenders for completion within that time.—Reuter's American Service.

## NEW CANTON POLICE CHIEF.

## GENERAL TANG YING-WAH RESIGNS FOR NEW POST.

Canton, Feb. 29. General Li Chai-sum has approved the resignation of General Tang Yin-wah, the Commissioner of Police.

General Tang Shih-chang, the Garrison Commander of Canton, has been appointed to take charge of the Police Administration temporarily. The new Police Commissioner will assume his office to-morrow morning.

General Tang Yin-wah, on resigning from the Police Commission, will devote his entire attention to the 5th Army, of which he is appointed Commander. This Army was formerly under General Li Fuk-lum. General Tang may take his Army to the East River to carry out the anti-Red campaign there.—*Nam Chung Pao*.

## RAIN AND FOG PREDICTED.

To-day's Observatory report states:—"The anticyclone is now central near Tokyo. Conditions over China are uncertain. The forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—North or variable winds; moderate to light; overcast, rain, fog.

## SERIOUS FRAUDS ALLEGED.

## INTERPRETERS' PART IN TRANSACTION

## TWO MINORS AND MORTGAGE ON PROPERTY.

## IMPORTANT APPEAL.

London, Feb. 28. The death is announced of the Right Rev. Dr. William Banister, Rector of Selham, Sussex. The deceased was the first Bishop of Kwangsi and had been associated with missionary work in China for 43 years.—Reuter.

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Deceased was the author of a Scripture Catechism for the young and of Notes on the 1st Corinthians, both in Chinese.

Mrs. Banister, who is also well remembered in Hongkong, was a daughter of Mr. T. Grime, of Preston, Lancashire.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., together with Mr. H. G. Sheldon, appeared on behalf of the appellants and Mr. F. C. Jenkin was for the respondents.

The respondents, formerly defendants, alleged that the plaintiffs had fraudulently represented themselves to be adults.

Sixteen Sons.

Mr. Potter, outlining the circumstances, said the father of the plaintiffs, Wan Lo-kau, lived in Macao and died on December 15th, 1907, leaving 16 sons, of whom the first plaintiff Lam was born on April 25, 1904 to the sixth concubine, being the 14th son of the father. He was the son of the ninth concubine and the 16th son, being born on August 2, 1905. They were both partly educated at St. Stephen's College in Hongkong. Their Lordships would therefore see that on February 10, 1925, when the mortgage was put through the age of the first plaintiff was 20 years 9 1/2 months, while the second was 19 1/2 years old.

Mr. Justice Wood had found those facts in their favour and there was no dispute that the appellants were infants at the time of the transaction.

After the death of the father, when the appellants were mere babies, disputes arose with regard to the property. Some of the sons contended that the father had not left property in Hongkong while others contended he had placed it in the names of some of the older sons; thereby following a common Chinese custom.

The younger sons thought that the others were not "playing the game" and were retaining the property as their own.

Sued as Infant.

An Original Jurisdiction action was started in 1924, continued Mr. Potter, and it was interesting, from his viewpoint, to note that the four plaintiffs were the 10th, 11th, 12th, and 14th sons, the last named the first plaintiff in the present action.

Lam then sued as an infant by his next friend, Loo Kwong-wai, and that would also become interesting when they came to consider the question of fraud that had arisen, the plaintiff had fraudulently represented himself to be an adult.

It was obvious that on August 12, 1924, the date of the earlier action and six months before the date of the mortgage, Lam, who was at present convicted of fraud in respect of age, must have declared the fact that he was an infant because he had sued as such.

Then came the question of the interpreter, Mr. Soong. It seemed obvious that not only did Lam declare he was an infant, but gave the date of his birth, because no man in the position of a solicitor's interpreter, as Mr. Soong, would refrain from asking the obvious question as to when the client was born. Mr. Potter would submit that Soong knew the age of Lam.

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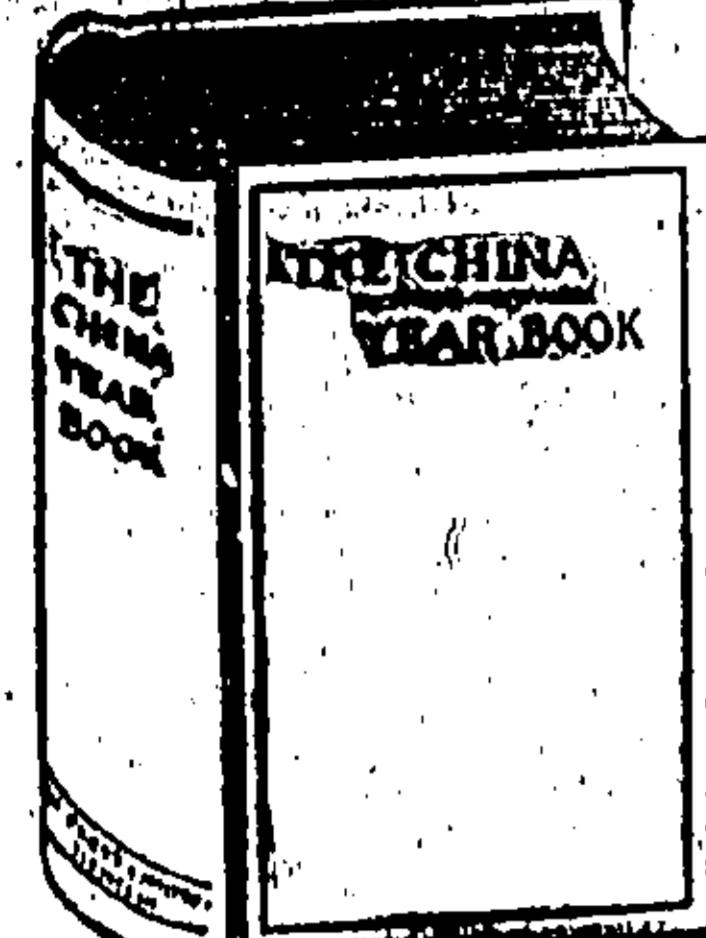
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The entire cast of "Veronique" recently performed by the Shanghai A. D. O. at the Lyric Theatre. The picture was taken just before the curtain was rung down on the second act, and the setting, and the well-known swing song heard in this act, combine to make it the most attractive of the three of which the opera is composed.



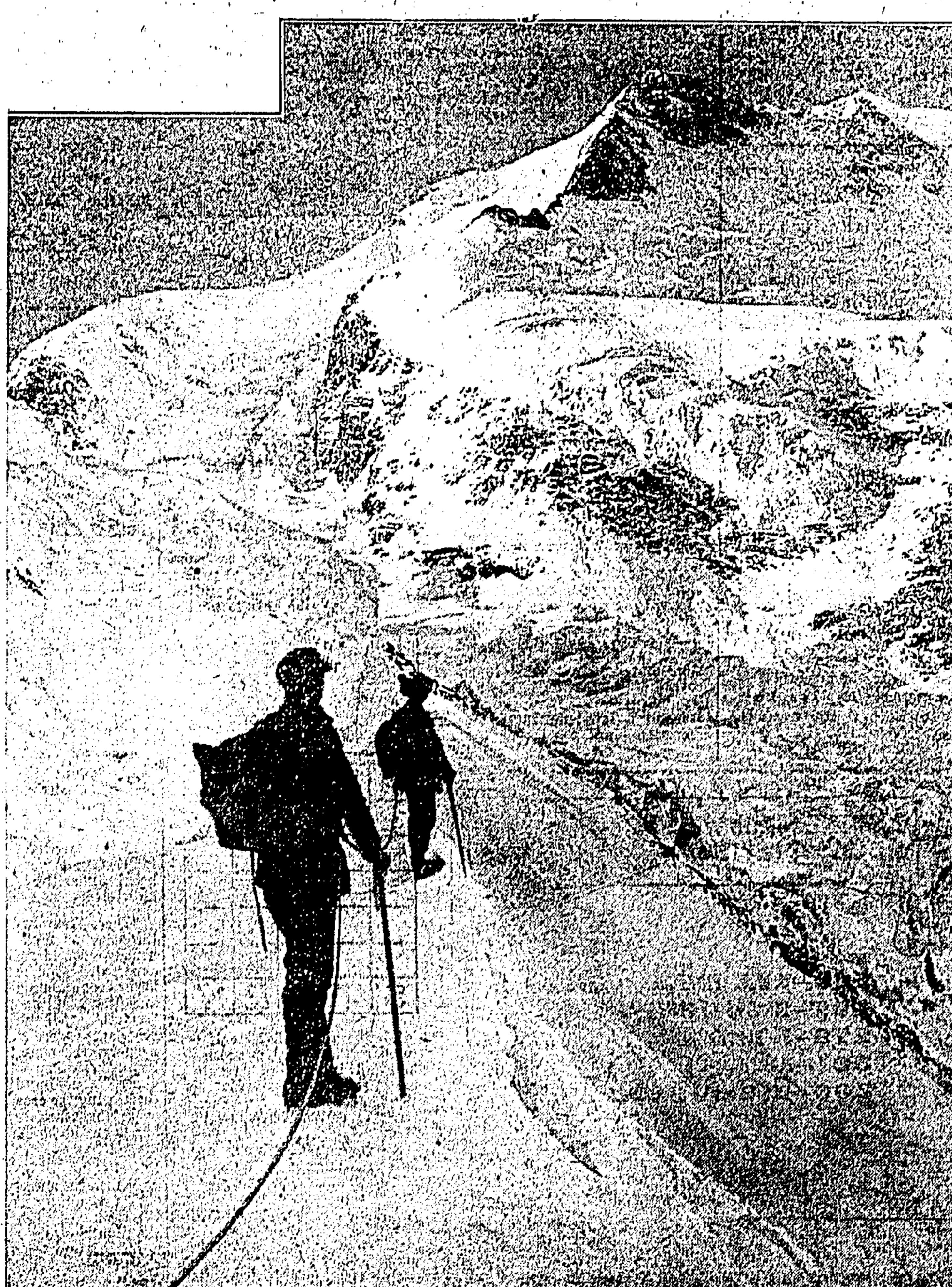
Bridal group taken at the wedding in Shanghai of Lieut. L. D. Watts, of the Machine Gun Company, S. V. C., and his bride, Mrs. Eugenia Hunt, daughter of Baroness and the late Baron Drachenfels.



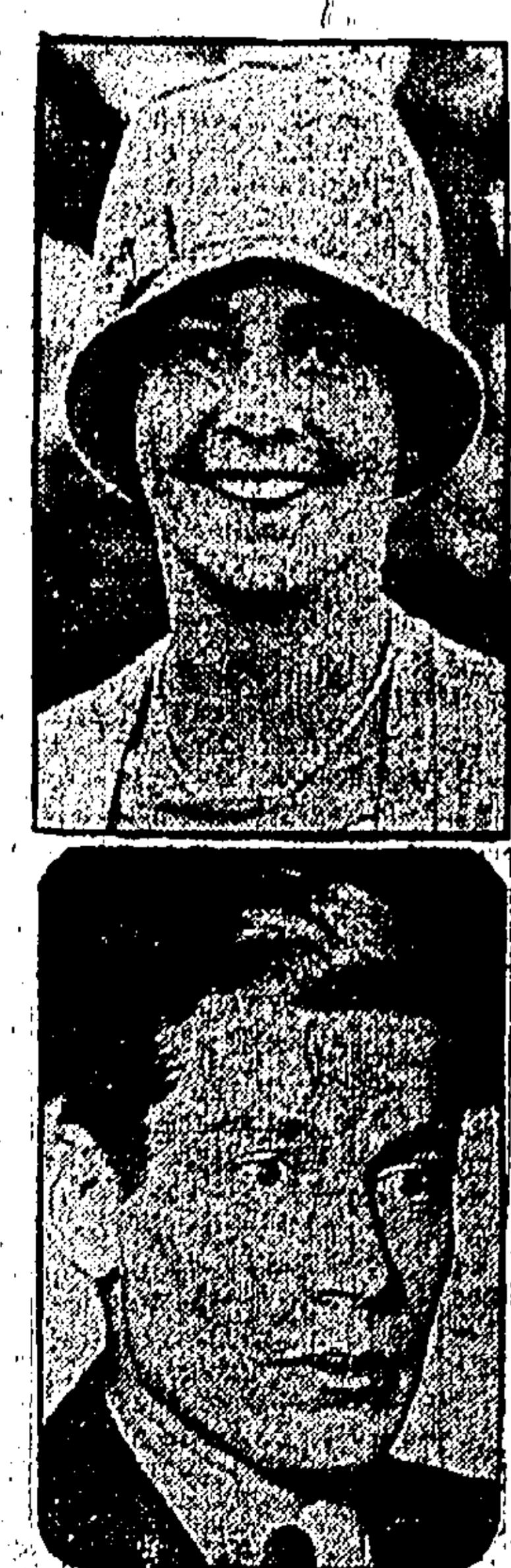
Sylvanus Stokes Jr., scion of the wealthy Philadelphia family, and Patty Dupont, movie star, were married in Los Angeles after a week's effort to dodge publicity on their intended wedding.



Mr. J. Bonnett's Bedlington, Chutney's Rival, which won six firsts and a championship at the National Terrier Club's Show. (Times copyright).



A winter ascent of the Piz Bernina, above St. Moritz, is shown in the above picture, which shows two members of the Alpine Ski Club making their way up the Morteratsch Glacier known as the Labyrinth. (Times copyright).

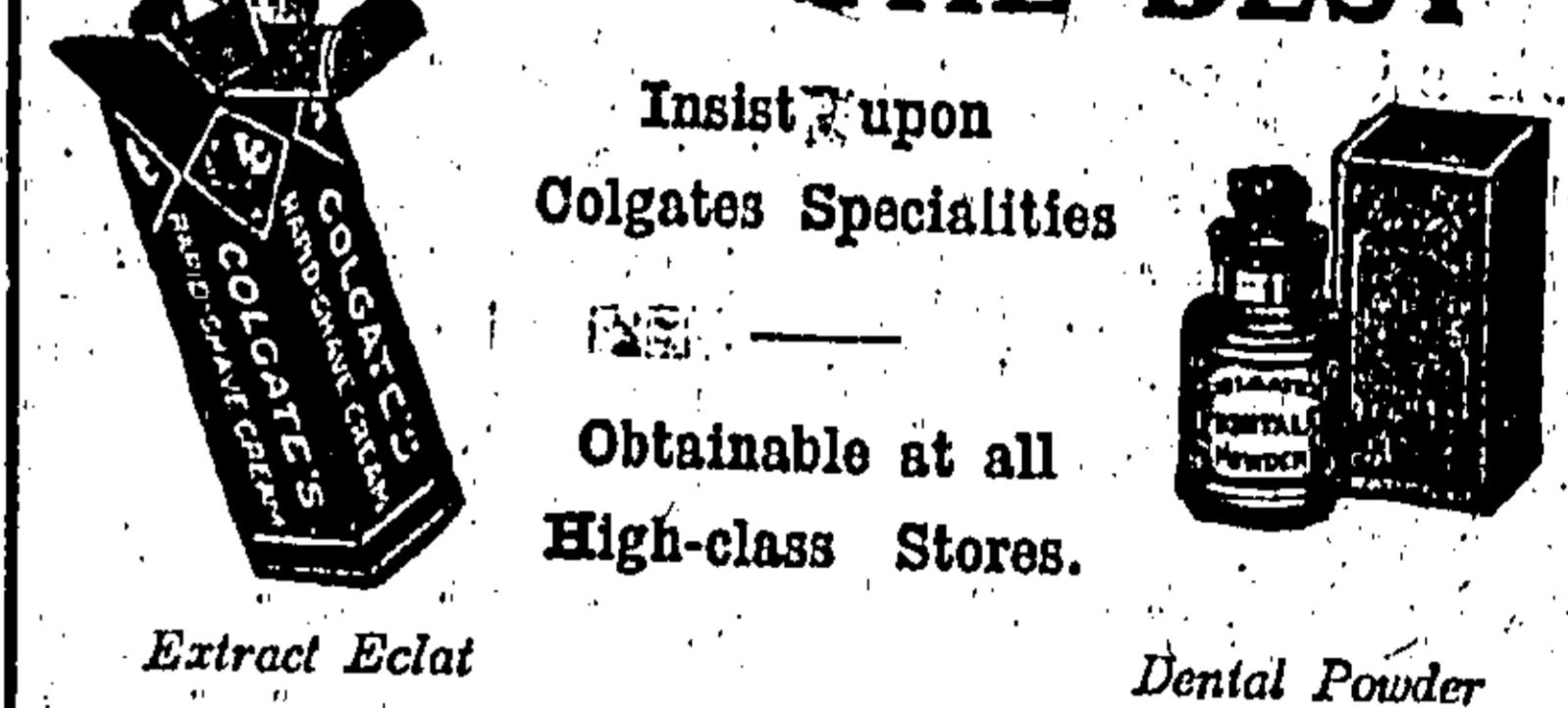


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#### STEEPLECHASES.

**SATURDAY**, 3rd March, 1928.  
First Race 3 p.m.

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Ladies Free.

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**FREE PARKING FOR**  
MOTOR CARS.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

#### EXTRA RACE MEETINGS.

Extra Race Meetings have been fixed provisionally for the following dates:

17th March  
7th and 9th April  
26th and 28th May  
23rd June  
6th and 8th October  
10th November  
1st December.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

### THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

#### NOTICE.

If the Marine Boiler left on Kowloon Marine Lot No. 49 by See To Ming is not claimed and removed within fourteen (14) days, same will be sold to defray expenses.

F. H. CRAPNELL,  
Secretary,  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1928.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

The Final Dividend declared for the Year ending 31st December, 1927, at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of Two Pounds Sterling is payable on and after the 27th February, 1928, at the Offices of the Corporation where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
A. C. HYNES,  
Chief Manager,  
Hongkong, 25th Feb. 1928.

#### NOTICE.

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE is hereby given that ANDREW HARPER & SON have ceased to be the authorized dealers of this Company for Hongkong and South China as from the 26th day of January, 1928.

FORD MOTOR CO.

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NOTICE is hereby given that WALLACE HARPER & CO., LTD. have been appointed our authorized dealers for Hongkong and South China as from the 1st day of February, 1928.

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#### THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Company will be closed from 3rd. March, 1928 to 16th. March, 1928, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON AND CO., LTD.

Agents,  
Hongkong, 24th, Feb., 1928.

#### WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the office of the O.C., R.A.S.C., Headquarters, Victoria Barracks, Hongkong until 12 noon on the dates stated for the undermentioned services for the periods as stated:

For One Year commencing 1st April 1928—  
Barrack Services

9th March, 1928.

For Three Months commencing 1st April, 1928—  
General Supplies "A" (Potatoes, Onions and Mustard).

13th March, 1928.

Tender forms and any necessary information may be obtained at the above office between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily, except Sundays.

## PUBLIC AUCTION

### PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE OF THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

Situations in the Peak District in the Colony of Hongkong, and

REGISTERED IN THE LAND OFFICE AS THE REMAINING PORTION OF RURAL BUILDING LOT NO. 2 TOGETHER WITH THE DWELLING HOUSE THEREON KNOWN AS

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To be Sold by

### PUBLIC AUCTION on THURSDAY,

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by

Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH, Ltd.

Auctioneers.

At their Auction Rooms, in Ice House Street, Victoria, Hongkong.

Vacant Possession 31st

March, 1928.

The property consists of:

All that piece or parcel of ground having an area of 91,334 square feet registered in the Land Office as the Remaining Portion of Rural Building Lot No. 2 together with all the messuages or tenements and other erections thereon and the rights, easements and appurtenances thereto belonging to the Vendor in and to all the said premises.

For further particulars apply to:

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8, Des Voeux Rd. Central, Victoria, Hongkong.

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### YOUR EYES ARE SAFE WITH US

4, Duddell Street.

If you have anything you would like to sell, exchange or advertise send it to the CHINA AUCTION ROOM.

E. V. M. R. de SOUSA.

### COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

The undersigned, going home on leave, begs to inform that Mr. LESDOS has been appointed local Agent of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes, with effect from the 25th instant.

(Sgd) J. LIMAGE, Agent.

### N. LAZARUS.

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## LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction.

On FRIDAY,  
the 2nd March, 1928,  
commencing at 11 a.m.

At Godown No. 3 Upper,  
The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., West Point.

A Quantity of Miscellaneous Goods.

comprising—

Iron Spikes, Straw Braid, Socks, Paper, Medicine, Iron Bars, China Ware, Tea Mats, etc.

Terms—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction.

On MONDAY,  
the 5th March, 1928,

commencing at 5.15 p.m.

At their Sales Room,  
Duddell Street.

A Valuable Collection of Postage Stamps.

including—

Old China, Shanghai, and Hongkong, etc.

On View from Saturday, the 3rd March, 1928.

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms—Cash on Delivery.

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## HISTRIONIC TRAINING.

1657-1918.  
DINNERS TO COMMEMORATE GREAT NAVAL BATTLES.

Histrionic art has reached to-day in Germany a hitherto unrecorded level. Never before has the German stage seen such a large number first-class actors upon its boards. Never before has the art of acting been practised with such seriousness and devotion.

Moreover, the excellence of the acting is rivalled by the excellence of the stage management. Who has not heard of Max Reinhardt's revolutionary methods? And have not such stage producers as Fehling, Engel, Jessner, Martin and Placido helped to set a higher standard, not merely in Germany, but also elsewhere?

The training of the actor and the art of staging are linked intimately together. One determines the other. The existence of a large number of talented actors and actresses calls for first-class producers; while the modern producer can only work with talented actors who have received the finest technical and artistic training.

The days have long since passed when, in Germany, a young genius got his schooling on the boards of some third-rate provincial stage and thence worked his way up into prominence.

Numerous private and public schools of acting now give the disciples of histrionism a thorough training, and some of these institutes have done such fine work that they have been accorded academic rank.

## The Training.

In these institutes, the pupil actor receives his entire technical equipment. Voice-production and gymnastics are the principal subjects, but tuition is also given in fencing, dramatic history, costume, literature and languages. Indeed, since there is no sphere of life or knowledge upon which the actor may not have occasion to draw, the view is held that he should take as one of his mottoes Young's famous saying:

"Were man to live coeval with the sun."

"The patriarch-pupil would be learning still."

The stage manager, himself, must be a past master in the art of acting, for he has to lead the others and to control the whole production. His authority must be beyond question, inasmuch as the actors and actresses whom he is called upon to direct will only subordinate themselves willingly to his instructions if they feel absolute confidence in his capacity. It is his task to co-ordinate suitably the artistic and technical staffs at his command, and thus make them serve to give perfect expression to his conception of the dramatic work which he is producing. He is the medium between the completed literary effort of the author who has embodied his thoughts in the printed word and the actors who give to that word a living and visible form.

## Talent of Intuition.

Even more than the actor, the modern producer must possess the talent of intuition, since he is called upon to give purpose and meaning to the fundamental features of each actor's interpretation of his part and to co-ordinate them with the piece as a whole. Hence the production should be dominated from the outset by some concretely creative idea.

This supreme law of stage production is truly often sinned against. Like all present-day art, modern staging suffers from overvaluation of the abstract. Whereas, formerly, staging as an art in theatrical production was underrated, it is now generally overrated; and the theatrical producer, desirous of outdoing his competitors, is tempted to snatched new notions merely for the sake of their novelty, without considering whether the new is better than the old or worse. Partly as a consequence of this hankering after originality, partly under the

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DINNERS TO COMMEMORATE GREAT NAVAL BATTLES.

Famous British naval actions from 1657 to the surrender of the German Fleet in 1918 will be commemorated at dinners to be held at the Hotel Victoria this year by the Royal Navy Club of 1765 and 1785. Admiralty Fleet Orders issued state that the dinners have been fixed as follows:

Tuesday, March 27—To commemorate the capture of Fort St. Louis, Martinique, by H. M. S. Zebra (March 20, 1794).

Tuesday, May 1—To commemorate Blaauw's victory at Santa Cruz (April 20, 1667).

Tuesday, June 6—To celebrate the King's Birthday (June 3, 1865) and that of the Prince of Wales (June 23, 1894), and to commemorate the action between the Chesapeake and Shannon (June 1, 1813).

Tuesday, October 23—To commemorate the Battle of Trafalgar.

Tuesday, November 20—To commemorate the work of the Fleet in all theatres of the Great War (1914-1918), culminating in the surrender of the German Fleet on November 21, 1918.

## QUEEN'S THEATRE.

## TALENTED CHINESE LADY VOCALIST.

A distinctly novel and pleasing feature of the current programme at the Queen's Theatre is the appearance of Miss Chee Toy in a number of vocal items. Coming here with an excellent reputation, she well upheld it yesterday and was given a very warm welcome by all who heard her. She rendered a Chinese song, an English ballad and a "jazz" number, and was thoroughly at home in them all. Miss Chee Toy has a very pleasant voice, and she enters well into the spirit of her songs.

The main film on show is "The Side Show of Life," which is based on W. J. Locke's "The Mountebank." This is the story of an English clown in a French circus who joins up in the War and becomes a Brigadier General in the British Army. Romantic developments ensue, touched with an element of tragedy, and interest is maintained to the happy climax. Ernest Terreneau and Ann Q. Nilsson take the leads, and they are both responsible for some fine acting. It is an interesting film, admirably produced.

Influence of the literary taste of the day, the presentation of many a drama has been given a garb incongruous with its own nature and content; nothing could be more out of place than such a proceeding as this, for every genuine work of fiction has its own innate and typical character, and demands, with almost the force of natural law, its own proper and characteristic form of presentation.

## Changes in Expression.

If our managers kept this truth clearly before their minds, they would not have been misled, by the rapidly developing technical possibilities of the stage into exalting the form above the content and making it a purpose in itself.

Nor is this in any way excusable, for the almost kaleidoscopic changes in the form of dramatic expression during recent years have provided the manager with rich opportunities of using his ingenuity in the matter of staging. Moreover, the scenic effects rendered possible—particularly as regards illumination—by modern stage engineering—give him ample scope for developing his ideas. But, all the more, should he be careful to make these opportunities subservient, not to any hysterication of his own, but wholly subservient to the underlying idea of the play itself.

WOMAN'S WORLD  
FOR OUR LADY READERS.

## The Kid Ensemble.

## ARTISTIC SHOE ORNAMENTS.

The kid ensemble, consisting of hat, bag and shoes to match, is one of the most recent innovations. One particularly smart set seen in Paris was of black kid and grey snakeskin. The hat was of the small brimless type, with a soft crushed crown, flattening to almost any type of face, because the soft kid drapes in folds like a piece of lustrous silk.

A single band of snakeskin encircles it, and a similar piece strapped the bag, which was of the flat enveloped pattern, but the shoes were the really distinctive item of this ensemble—black snakeskin shoes with low heels and straps.

## The New Coiffure.

## TO SHOW THE EARS.

The feminine ear is once again making its shy appearance, for a new style of hairdressing is becoming popular. In which the hair is drawn back behind the ears, even with the bob or shingle. With this new hair mode the ear is not shown blantly, but rather it peeps from a delicate background of hair. At any theatre or dance already there will be at least 3-4 girls who have adopted this new fashion, and, according to one of the leading West End hairdressers, new recruits are joining every day. Recently a *Daily Mail* reporter was told:

## CANDLES AS DECORATIONS.

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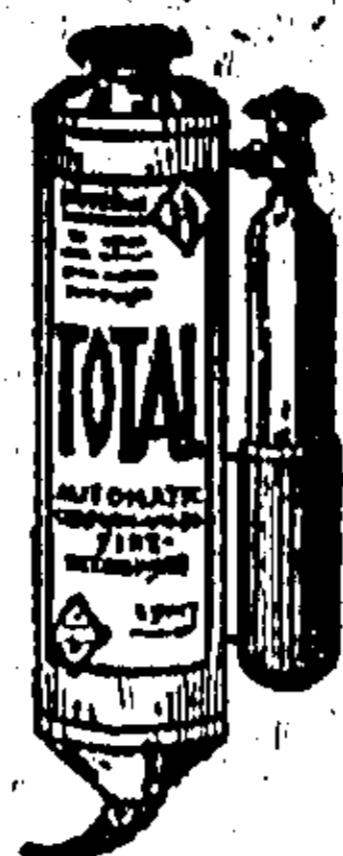
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WATERTON.—At Victoria Hospital on February 28th to Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Waterton, of P.W.D.—a son.

**DEATH.**

PEREIRA.—On February 24, 1928, at 414 Dixwell Road, Shanghai, Hilda Maria Assunta Pereira, dearly beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Pereira, aged three years.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 29, 1928.

**THE FOREIGN OFFICE  
SCANDAL.**

Scandals so rarely occur in connexion with the British Civil Service that more than usual prominence will naturally be given to the result of the investigations into the disclosures made in the "Dyne case" which involved the reputation of the Foreign Office and some of its trusted and high-placed servants. The fact that the personnel of the Board of Inquiry and the terms of reference were communicated to the Press within a very short time after the verdict of the jury, showed that the Prime Minister had been studying the position from the opening of the trial, so as to be prepared for immediate action. In the circumstances, he did the wise and right thing.

There is no necessity to enter into the merits of the Dyne case so far as it concerned other than public servants. Many people are dazzled by the possibilities of a speculative profit in the sensational movements of foreign currencies; many wings have been burnt and many singed bodies lie around that particular lamp. But inasmuch as it was disclosed, during the trial, that prominent officials of the Foreign Office were directly involved in Mrs. Dyne's "fluster" in France, then the circumstances obviously called for the strictest possible investigation. That investigation has now been concluded, with results of the utmost seriousness to the officials connected with the transactions. The heaviest blow falls on Mr. J. D. Gregory, Assistant Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who, after a distinguished career with the Foreign Office, lasting for more than a quarter of a century, has

been dismissed from the service on Friday.

It was admitted that he introduced Mrs. Dyne to the banking Company, that he engaged in huge joint currency transactions with her, and that later he speculated on his own account in considerable sums. Commander Maxse and Mr. O'Malley were also involved in the matter, though not to the same degree of seriousness. The redeeming feature of the whole business is that none of these officials was in the slightest degree guilty of corruption or of making use of official information for their own ends. What they did was an offence merely from the Civil Service point of view, and therefore neither their honour nor their integrity are called into question.

The Home Press, we notice, is in agreement that the punishments inflicted are, in the circumstances, not too severe. With that view we imagine the majority of Britons will agree. It is true that the *Daily Telegraph* finds some extenuation in what it describes as the inadequacy of the salaries of the higher officials of the Foreign Office. It is pertinent to note, however, that the salary attaching to Mr. Gregory's post was £1,200 to £1,500 per year. In any event, whatever views may be held on the sufficiency or otherwise of the scale of salaries prevailing, considerations of that kind, even put at their highest, can only extenuate the indiscretions; they certainly cannot condone them. The British Civil Service has always been considered not only above reproach, but above suspicion, and it is at any rate gratifying to feel that its traditions in this regard have not been besmirched by the disclosures arising from the Dyne case, however regrettable they may be from the official point of view. Indeed, the very severity of the penalties imposed on the offenders provides an assurance that the fastidious requirements of the past in the standard of conduct expected from State officials will be maintained and upheld.

**Brilliant Achievement.**

The public grasp of the safety of modern flying, and of the immense strides made by aviation experts even in the past two years, has made a definite forward leap as the result of the brilliant achievement of Captain Bert Hinkler in flying from Croydon to his home at Bundaberg, Australia. The extreme merit of the performance cannot be dimmed by the one mishap on the long journey, when his plane, an ordinary light machine, which anyone can purchase for £675, and, moreover, eighteen months old, was forced down by a dust-storm. Captain Hinkler in this machine, equipped with a 30 h.p. Cleris engine, British-built, flew well over ten thousand miles, made the first non-stop flight from London to Rome, accomplished an epoch-making trip in reaching India in seven days, four days better than the previous record, and reached Port Darwin, Australia, in two hours over fifteen days, cutting the previous time for the journey almost in half. There can be no doubt that Captain Hinkler, has done far more to make the public air-minded than the adventurers who successfully hazarded the Transatlantic flight for the simple reason that such feats are in the class of grand ornery: pretty and spectacular, but in the first place, requiring heavy subsidies. Flying will not develop on any such aesthetic backing. It must be made to pay its own way, and the fact that Capt. Hinkler, unaccompanied, completed a remarkable flight at a cost of less than £50, will do more to satisfy doubts than any sensational flying hitherto reported. Greatest satisfaction has been expressed in Government circles at this conclusive proof of the stability of light British planes. Large sums of money have been expended in exploiting the way for the inevitable future of the air, and such a memorable accomplishment should do much to advance the era when such efforts will be repaid.

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Connaught Road Central, has decided to give a dinner party at 7 o'clock at the Nantong Restaurant, China Building, on the 3rd March in honour of General Li Chai-sum, the Chairman of the Southern Government, who is going to pay a visit to Hongkong.

**DAY BY DAY.**

THERE ARE MORE OPPORTUNITIES THAN THERE ARE YOUNG MEN TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THEM.—James J. Hill.

Two further Chinese cases of typhoid were notified yesterday.

The Ben Lino s.s. Benglo, from Straits ports, is due here on March 5th.

The P. and O. s.s. Macedonia, from Singapore, is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

Governor-General Stimson and party left for Manila yesterday by the s.s. President McKinley.

The s.s. Yuct On was taken in hand at Tafko Dock at 6 a.m. to-day and the s.s. Hutchow left the same yard at 10 a.m.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales saw a private exhibition of "The Circus," the big Charlie Chaplin film, at York House recently. "The Circus" comes to the Queen's Theatre next Sunday.

The s.s. San Nam Hoi arrived in Hongkong from the West River this morning after being refloated. It is understood that she is undamaged, but it is likely that a survey will be held.

Amongst the passengers who left the s.s. President Taft yesterday were Mr. and Mrs. E. B. C. Hornal, Mr. and Mrs. F. McB. Courtney, Mrs. B. D. F. Reith, Mrs. C. B. Hartford and Mr. Frank Austin.

This morning's Harbour Office reports were generally poor, though being few arrivals, probably owing to weather conditions outside. There was only one British entry, this recording the heaviest inward cargo of the day. There remained 68 vessels in harbour at 9 a.m. of which 24 were British.

A. Musciale will be given at the Helena May Institute on Thursday 8th March at 5.30 p.m. The following will take part:—Mrs. Sanger, Miss Dunbar, Mr. John Braga and Mr. Bowes-Smith. Tables for tea must be booked by Wednesday afternoon at the latest.—*Advt.*

The Kowloon Brigade was called to Kingclere Hotel at 10.30 last evening, an alarm having been given when smoke was seen issuing from the cookhouse. It appears that a number of knives had been placed in close proximity to a lighted stove and the composition handles of these became ignited. The matter was dealt with by the servants of the establishment before the appliances arrived.

**EX-MAHARAJAH'S  
MARRIAGE.****REASON FOR DELAY.**

The two Brahmin priests, who had gone to Ceylon for the purpose of performing the marriage of the ex-Maharajah of Indore with the American girl, Miss Miller, have returned to Bombay, states the Indian News Agency, and explained why the marriage was not performed in Ceylon.

A high caste Hindu marriage, they say, cannot be performed in the month of Pousha, as astrologically it is not auspicious, and, therefore, is forbidden by the shastras.

As the marriage is to take place according to proper Hindu rites and ceremonial, it must take place on an auspicious day or not at all. If the Maharajah's health is well enough to allow him to travel to India then the marriage will take place, as at present arranged, at Barhwa, the place where his father, Maharajah Shiva Jirao, used to live after his own abdication.

**FRANCO-GERMAN TREATY  
AND BRITAIN.**

An important statement regarding the position of this country under the Franco-German Commercial Treaty is contained in a letter written to Mr. Walter Runcie-Lister, M.P., by Sir P. Cunliffe-Lister, President of the Board of Trade.

Sir Philip writes: "The conclusion of this treaty in no way affects our right to full most-favoured-nation treatment either in Germany or France. As regards the former country this is definitely secured to us by our treaty with Germany concluded on December 2, 1924.

"In the case of France, we have no treaty securing us such treatment, but France, by virtue of her own internal legislation, gives us full minimum tariff, and I am assured that there is no intention on her part to alter this arrangement."

**GENERAL RETURNS TO  
CANTON.****INCIDENT OF 1925 RECALLED.**

Following the assassination in Canton, in 1925, of the late Mr. Liao Chung-ka, a noted leader of the Kuomintang Left Wing, many of the high officials of the Civil Government and of the Army in Canton were detained as suspects, by order of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, who was then acting as the Chief of the Canton troops.

One of the suspects, who was detained for several months and later released, was General Leung Kung-ka, the leader of the First Army. After his release, General Leung did not return to the Army, but a few days ago came back to Canton with many of his former subordinates.

A vernacular report states that General Leung's return was in response to the invitation by General Chan Ming-shui, the recently-elected Chairman of the Canton Provincial Government. News is current that General Leung will be given an important post in the Canton Army.

Among other prominent persons returned to Canton recently is Mr. Koo Ying-fan, former Finance Commissioner to the Nanking and Canton Nationalist Governments. Mr. Koo arrived in the city on Saturday, and, on the following day, he gave a banquet at his residence to some of his friends, including Generals Wang Shao-hung, Chan Ming-shui, Chu Ching-tang, Chan Chai-long and others. Yesterday he attended a meeting of the Canton Political Council, of which he is a Commissioner.

Further details of the military meeting held in Canton two days ago, following the return from the East River of General Wang Shao-hung, have come to hand. It is said that the meeting decided that the military affairs of Kwangtung and Kwangsi will remain in hands of Generals Li Chai-sum and Wang Shao-hung respectively, while the civil administration of Kwangtung will be entrusted to General Chan Ming-shui.

**OFFICIAL VISIT TO  
CANTON.****HONGKONG GOVERNOR AND  
PARTY GO NEXT WEEK.**

According to reports from Canton, H. E. the Governor of Hongkong is to pay his official visit to Canton on March 9th. He will be accompanied by Lady Clement, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax (Colonial Secretary), other Government officials and possibly the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow and the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall.

On his arrival, His Excellency will land at the Canton Government pier, where he will inspect troops drawn up in his honour. The party will then proceed to Government House, where H. E. the Governor and Lady Clement will be the guests of General and Madame Li Chai-sum during their stay.

Numerous functions in honour of the visit have been arranged. These include dinners by General Li Chai-sum and the Chamber of Commerce, luncheons by the Mayor of Canton and the British Consul-General, as well as a flower-boat party and theatrical entertainments.

The visitors hope to stay in Canton for about two days.

**CANTON SUSPECTS.****MORE THAN A THOUSAND  
IN PRISON.**

More than a thousand Communist suspects have been arrested in Canton and removed to the Nam Shek Tau Prison, since the big anti-Red campaign began. It is stated that Mr. Tang Yin-wah, the Chief of Police, has now arranged with judges of the Special Court in Canton for the opening of the trial of these suspects.

Among the "Red" suspects is one man whom the Government desires to be sentenced to death, as it has been established that he was formerly an official of the 1925 Hongkong Strikers' Committee, and is said to have been keeping in close touch with the Communists.

New York, Jan. 26.—The Fox Film Corporation has acquired control of three hundred cinema theatres on and near the Pacific Coast in what is described by Mr. William Fox, the president of the company, as the largest single theatre transaction in history. Theatres valued at \$20,000,000 were involved. In making the announcement Mr. Fox, whose career has been one of the most spectacular in the film industry, recalled that twenty-five years ago he was earning less than \$4 a week as a cutter in a clothing establishment.

*The Very Idea!*

An American Army major was approached one day by a youth who had obviously been in the service only long enough to draw his uniform. The rookie failed to salute, but the major overlooked it.

"Say," began the buck cordially, "ever drink anything?" The major was truthful as well as kindly. He admitted that once in a while he took a small nip, and then turned away.

"Wait a minute," said the rookie, "I got some here." This was too much for the major. "Corporal of the guard!" he bawled.

"Aw, gee!" protested the rookie, "don't call your friends—there's only enough for two."

Either someone is letting a fortune slip through his fingers, or else the Bhopal correspondent of the Indian News Service is an optimist, says a London writer in the *New York Herald Tribune*.

"From October, 1921," the correspondent writes, "the State of Bhopal has lost over 300,000 rupees every year in its efforts to enforce Prohibition, and at last has had to put a stop to this costly experiment. It was found that the Mohwa trees, which abound in the estate, are tapped by those who desire alcohol drink."

If this Mohwa tree is all that is claimed for it, and it will function properly in the American climate, the "plant a tree" movement ought to boom exceedingly. But London horticulturists haven't any Mohwa trees in stock, and seem doubtful of their ability to get any.

Barrister at Feltham: How long have you lived here? Man: Since before the flood.

Solicitor, to a West Ham wife at Bow County Court: What does your husband earn? The wife: What a senseless thing to ask! As though he would tell me.

Willesden man, with a plastered head: I want a separation order against my wife for persistent cruelty. Magistrate: If you had cracked her head like that she might have had one, but the law is one-sided in this particular.

Willie was in one of his inquisitive moods, and father was tired of answering questions. "Pa," demanded Willie, "what's a misanthrope?"

Father racked his brains for an answer which would force Willie to sit down and think over it. A gleam of triumph shone in his eyes.

"A misanthrope," he declared, "is a fellow who would prosecute you for trespassing if you shovelled the snow off his dooryard."

A Sheriff-Substitute Guy story: In a Small-Debt Court action Sheriff Guy was on the Bench and the matter had to do with a shirt which somebody wanted payment for.

"Come on with the tale of your shirt," said the Sheriff.

"Cut it short," he said later.

Then, just before he pronounced decree, the Sheriff remarked to the agent, "I am afraid, Mr. Blank, your shirt is all dickey."

At the Poor Law Conference in London, during a discussion on the training of nurses and

## ADMIRAL LEVESON RETIRES.

## HERO OF HONG MOH DISASTER PROMOTED.

## MADE REAR-ADmirAL.

London, Feb. 28.

Admiral Sir Arthur Leveson, G.C.B., has retired, and Captain E. R. G. Evans, C.B., D.S.O., has been promoted to the rank of Rear-Admiral.—*Reuter*.

Admiral Leveson, who entered the Navy in 1883, is 68 years of age. He has latterly been First and Principal A. D. C. to H. M. the King. He has had a lengthy and distinguished naval career, and was Commander-in-Chief on the China Station from 1922 to 1924. In the Great War, he saw service in the Battle of Jutland.

Rear-Admiral Evans is also well-known in Hongkong. He commanded H. M. S. *Carlisle* from 1921 to 1923, and during that period distinguished himself by his gallant action in saving the lives of many Chinese in the ss. *Hong Moh* disaster, for which he was awarded a special gold medal by Lloyds. In the War, he commanded H. M. S. *Broke* when that ship, with H. M. S. *Swift*, engaged and defeated six German destroyers. He has been prominently identified with Antarctic expeditions, returning in command of the late Captain Scott's ship after the latter's death.

## FOR THE EIGHTH TIME.

## RETURNED BANISHEE SENT TO PRISON.

Having served seven previous terms of imprisonment, a Chinese, who was banished for life in January last year, was found loitering in a house in Yaumati yesterday. He came before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, being charged with returning from banishment.

According to Sergeant Mottrem, the defendant was found in the passage way of a house in Temple Street. The police were summoned and the defendant arrested. On his finger-prints being taken, he was found to be a returned banishee.

Sentence of twelve months' hard labour was imposed.

## WAR DEVELOPMENTS.

## BATTLE EXPECTED IN SOUTHERN CHIHLI.

Shanghai, Feb. 29. War developments in Southern Chihli are again reported to be serious. The vanguard of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang's forces have advanced towards Taiming and heavy fighting is expected in that area shortly.

It has been officially announced from the Headquarters of the Wuhan expeditionary forces at Changsha that arrangements have been made for the absorption of the surrendered forces of General Tang Sang-chi into the 4th Army Corps.—*Nam Chung Pao*.

## FOREIGN OFFICE SCANDAL.

## MOVEMENTS OF MR. J. D. GREGORY.

London, Feb. 28. Mr. J. D. Gregory, the Assistant Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, who has been dismissed for speculating in France, left his home in West London at seven o'clock this morning, stating that he was going away for two or three days and would send word whether correspondence should be forwarded.—*Reuter*.

## LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

## SPAIN REPORTED TO BE RETURNING.

Paris, Feb. 28. It is stated that Spain will return to the League of Nations at its September session. This follows the reported Franco-Spanish agreement regarding the administration of Tangier.—*Reuter's American Service*.

"You must know that this was a harsh and oppressive bargain from what you could see in the newspapers," Judge Sir Alfred Tobin remarked to a borrower at Westminster County Court, after working out the rate of interest per annum under the default clause of a loan contract at 3,900 per cent. The moneylender made a settlement offer, and this was accepted.

## SOME SHANGHAI TOPICS.

## TARIFF REVISION QUESTION.

## JEWISH CLUB TO BE BUILT.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Feb. 24. The most outstanding feature of somewhat uneventful week—outstanding, that is to say, in a purely negative sense—is the apparent failure of Mr. A. H. F. Edwards' mission to Shanghai in connexion with tariff revision. The Acting Inspector-General of Customs will have left these shores by the time these lines are in print, and, like Mr. Silas Straw, he has been fated to have his mission unfulfilled.

The failure of Mr. Edwards' efforts has come as the first fruits of General Chiang Kai-shek's deliberations with the "Christian General" at Kaifeng, as a result of which it has been decided to reject Mr. Edwards' overtures relative to tariff revision and prosecute anew the Nationalist plans for the invasion of Peking, which the Kuomintang forces claim they will be able to consummate before the end of next summer.

Hope, however, has not been altogether abandoned that, sooner or later, the interrupted conference will be resumed. This is borne out by the fact that Mr. F. W. Maze, Commissioner of Customs in Shanghai, and senior responsible official in the Customs service within Nationalist territory, has been instructed by the Customs Administration of the Ministry of Finance to postpone his furlough to England "pending settlement of various important Customs problems."

Additional ground is afforded for this belief by the impending arrival in Shanghai of Mr. J. V. A. MacMurray, U.S. Minister to China, one of the objects of whose mission is believed to be the straightening out of the Customs question. On the narrow ground of self-interest alone, all factions in China are expected to see eye to eye, with regard to the Customs question at least, since the principal aim of the conference is to raise the Customs tariff and to distribute the surplus of increased revenue among the Chinese authorities both north and south, thereby maintaining the present Customs system and safeguarding it from the danger of disarray and dislocation.

The Case of Mr. Strother. The function of a newspaper and of newspaper scribes is to discuss things rather than persons, except in so far as persons in the public eye, of their own volition, engage in activities which bring them into the limelight in matters of public interest and so lead themselves open to praise or criticism, as the case might be.

From this standpoint, the case of Mr. Edgar F. Strother merits a reference because he has for a long time been a factor in Sino-foreign relations by the very nature of his activities, which have brought him in conflict with many powerful members of the National Christian Council—Chinese, American and British—as well as representatives of other nationalities.

Mr. Strother has just announced to the local Press that he has

## "LLOYD'S REGISTER" OF THE AIR.

## NOTABLE SCHEME MOOTED IN ENGLAND.

## INSPECTING PLANES.

London, Feb. 28. The first issue of a new aircraft international register, which will be to commercial aircraft what Lloyds is to shipping, has now been published.

Its interest extends to something more than a mere register, for its organisers are preparing to take over, from the Air Ministry, the inspection of all privately-owned British aircraft for the renewal of their airworthiness certificates.

A system comparable to that which pertains to shipping is aimed at.

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## SHANGHAI BANDIT LAW.

## YET ANOTHER STRONG PROTEST.

## SEQUEL TO RECENT ARMED ROBBERY.

## FUTILE OBJECTIONS.

London, Feb. 28. Yet another protest was made by Mr. Van den Berg, the Senior Consul's Deputy, in the Provisional Court at Shanghai, last week. In this case, Bang Rua-han, coolie, Nyi Ah-foh, hawker, Tsoh Yeu-zien, coolie, and Kee Kung-sung, brass-smith, were charged that at 7 p.m. on January 19, at the corner of Tongshan and Kwenming Roads, they were found to be in possession of two automatic pistols and 13 rounds of ammunition.

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## ANGLO-EGYPTIAN PARLEY.

## ANOTHER VERSION OF THE DRAFT TREATY.

## GOVERNMENT DENIAL.

Cairo, Feb. 28. Nahas Pasha, the leader of the Wafid, who has been apprised of the progress of the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations, denies the accuracy of the forecast of the draft of the treaty as published by the newspaper *El Ahram*.

In the meantime *Al Mokattam* publishes a new version, somewhat similar to that in the opposition journal, but stating that troops will remain in their present stations for five years.

It also states that Egypt will have the right to conclude treaties with regard to internal, economic and commercial affairs, but political treaties must be submitted for British approval.—*Reuter*.

## SECRECY MAINTAINED.

London, Feb. 28. Secrecy is well maintained in London and Cairo in the course of the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations, which, however, are believed to be proceeding actively.

Sir Austen Chamberlain questions in the House of Commons as to whether proposals are being considered for the removal of British forces from the neighbourhood of Cairo, requested the questioner to wait until he was able to lay the papers on the subject of the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations before the House.

He promised that any proposed treaty would not be ratified until it had been approved by Parliament.

## PRESS CRITICISM.

Cairo, Feb. 28. The newspaper *El Ahram* prints an unofficial forecast of the draft of the treaty; firstly, that British troops shall remain in the Canal Zone but which side of the canal is not specified; secondly, Anglo-Egyptian condominium in the Sudan is to be provisionally unaltered pending a definitive agreement; thirdly, Egypt may dispense with British advisers; fourthly, the aerodromes shall remain in British hands, like other means of communication; fifthly, Britain shall continue the supervision of the external affairs of Egypt who shall only conclude foreign treaties with the consent of Britain; and sixthly, the Sirdar shall be an Egyptian officer.

*El Ahram* criticises the proposals and accuses Britain of treating Egypt as a mandated country. It anticipates that the conclusion of the treaty will be delayed pending a final settlement on the first two points.—*Reuter*.



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of the explanations of the Supreme Court at Nanking as regards the armed robbery clause is, in my opinion, disastrous to the safety of the Chinese and foreign residents of the International Settlement of Shanghai, whose authorities try to do everything in their power to combat banditry, thereby even offering the lives of some of its best servants. It seems futile to enter objections against judgments in cases of this nature, and I intend to limit my objections in future cases to the remark: "New Bandit Law not applied."

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THE NEXT BOXING  
TOURNEY.MORRIS AND MORRELL  
TO MEET.

## H.K.F.C.'S GREAT VICTORY.

[By "Wanderer."]

When Signalman Morris, the middleweight champion of the Colony, steps into the ring at the Lee Theatre on Saturday March 10th to defend his title against Stoker Morrell, of H.M.S. *Vindictive*, it will be the last opportunity Hongkong fans will be afforded of seeing this popular fighter in action. He has developed amazingly in the past few months, and, as he is leaving for Home ten days after the contest, it can be depended upon that if he is capable of making the middleweight belt his own property he will do so.

Incidentally, it is to be the first and last time the Colony will view the new Stoker Morrell. That he is in a class very much distinct from that which he occupied when last in Hongkong, is very certain. Morrell's Advance.

The battle should be one of the finest seen in Hongkong for many a long day. Morrell's greatest asset when here before was an ability to absorb punishment, but to that capacity he has added considerable boxing ability and fighting powers. One has only to read a few Shanghai comments to understand the difference. One commentator says:—"He sheds vallops with no more effect than a duck sheds water. The British sailor appears to be concrete from the waist up" and he has certainly showed that he can hit. Appleton, highly touted Tientsin battler, reputed to be a k.o. artist himself and as tough as an elephant, went down for keeps after having been Morrell's playmate for a few rounds."

Morrell is recognised as the welterweight champion of Shanghai, and he has beaten the majority of the middleweights in addition. Another writer remarks, *inter alia*, that he has "followed Morrell's career from the time he first met Braunschweig when he was little more than a barnbattler, and have watched his improvement into a really skilful boxer as well as a born fighter, etc."

## First Class Fight.

The match at the Lee Theatre, on March 10th, will be over fifteen rounds, and both have met the famous Corporal Donald Duncan, of the Marines. Signalman Morris has shown enough in Hongkong to justify confidence that he will put up a first-class fight, and the public will be keenly interested to see if Morrell can bear out in practice what the Shanghai papers say about him.

The remainder of the programme is not to hand, but if it approaches anywhere near the standard of the last tournament a fine evening's entertainment is assured.

## ASTONISHING VICTORY.

## H.K. Club Eliminate the K.O.S.B.

The Hongkong Football Club's victory by two clear goals over the K.O.S.B., in the second round of the Senior Shield Competition yesterday, will go on record as the most remarkable performance of the season.

The Club were not fully represented, but scored once in each half,

while the Borderers failed to reply,

in spite of a penalty award before

the game was ten minutes old. Scott,

opened the scoring for the Club, and

Taylor put the seal on the astonishing win in the second half.

The Club qualified to meet Kowloon

in the semi-final on Saturday by declining to accept as obvious

their defeat. Long sweeping passes

to the wings and dashing work by

the inside forwards kept the

K.O.S.B. defence on tenterhooks,

and although territorially, the more

precise passing and neat work of

the Borderers enabled them to claim

a distinct advantage, their forwards

were lamentably weak in the goal-

mouth.

It is notable also that two

K.O.S.B. goals were disallowed for

infractions. A contre by Campbell

was rushed into the net by Teal,

but the point was struck off, while

soon afterwards Stock shot past

lodger and was given offside. The

Club goal had several miraculous

escapes, but the defence held until

the end.

SINGAPORE DOG  
RACING.SCHEME FOR A BIG  
TRACK.

## WILL SEAT 30,000.

A scheme is now under way to start a greyhound racing track in Singapore. The promoters are an Australian syndicate, and they will shortly float a local company to be known as the Singapore Greyhound Racing Association.

The capital to be asked for will be in the neighbourhood of \$1,000,000, and the proposal is to build a racing track with seating accommodation for between 30,000 and 40,000 people on a site of fifteen acres in Kampong Bahru Road.

If the scheme is successful 200 racing greyhounds will be brought up from Australia and sold to private owners. The syndicate have received legal advice to the effect that so long as the Association is run on the lines of a private club, with the use of the totalisator limited to members, the scheme is a legal one. The local representative of the syndicate is Mr. H. Koekkoek, of the Eastern Import and Export Company, Melbourne.

Mr. Koekkoek gave some particulars of the scheme to a *Straits Times* representative who sought him out at the Raffles Hotel. "I came up from Australia recently, representing a syndicate, with a view to forming a greyhound racing association in this city," he said. "I selected Singapore because I have known this city for the past fifteen years or so, having visited it on an average once a year from Australia on business. The other members of the syndicate besides myself are two well-known residents of Melbourne, Mr. Hugh Huxham and Capt. E. F. Chamberlain. The former has had a very successful career as a theatrical promoter, and is just the man to handle the undertaking we have in view.

## Suitable Site in View.

"We have succeeded in obtaining an option on what I consider to be the most suitable site in Singapore for a dog-racing track. It consists of fifteen acres on Kampong Bahru Road, about three-quarters of a mile from the Southern Hotel, so that it is conveniently situated in regard to the Chinese district. The whole scheme will be carried out on really first-class lines, and everything will be done to study the comfort of the public. The enterprise will be run purely on the lines of a private sporting club, similar to the Turf Club in Singapore. That is to say, only members of the Club will be allowed to use the totalisator. We shall have our own veterinary surgeon, not only to see that the dogs are fit for racing but to look after them at all times.

"It is proposed that the company shall, in the first instance, purchase two hundred greyhounds in Australia, bring them to Singapore, and sell them to the public. The Club would obviously not race the dogs themselves, but at first it may be difficult for local sportsmen to obtain greyhounds, and we have therefore made tentative arrangements to purchase that number.

"We do not anticipate any difficulty in getting the dogs in Australia. People are now breeding them down there, and there is no shortage. It is considered that dogs bred in Australia are much more likely to stand the Singapore climate successfully than those imported from England, and I know of no reason why racing greyhounds should not thrive in this climate.

## Seats for 40,000.

"We propose to build seating accommodation for between 30,000 and 40,000 people, together with kennels, offices, and so forth, and there will be ample parking space for cars—an important point in Singapore. The enclosure will be of a scale unknown in Malaya, and will be on the site of an amphitheatre.

The proposal is to hold meetings twice a week, starting about 9 p.m., and there will be seven or eight races on each programme, hurdle and flat events, starting at intervals of quarter of an hour.

When the races are on the track will be flooded with powerful floodlights, while the rest of the enclosure will be in darkness.

"Tentative arrangements have been made to obtain the apparatus for the electric hare and an

OUR DAILY TALK ON  
HEALTH.SKIN DISEASES DUE TO  
OCCUPATIONS.

## VALUE OF DISINFECTION.

Specialists in diseases of the skin have a special classification of inflammations, which includes all of the irritations due to conditions occurring in industry.

A recent investigation of women workers in the porcelain and pottery factories of Russia revealed special changes in the skin and nails in female glaze pourers who work with lead glaze. These investigators found the sides of the hands and forearms of the workers very dry, rough and swollen; particles of the glaze adhered to the skin and could not be removed by washing.

The irritated spots became easily infected. The finger nails were thin and brittle with saw-like edges. Sometimes they cracked longitudinally.

## Turpentine Fumes.

In the decorating department where women designers worked with colours thinned with turpentine, the skin also became infected frequently following irritation. The air in such rooms is constantly saturated with turpentine fumes, and it is known that the inhalation of turpentine may have severe effects on the kidneys.

In such industries arrangements must be made to carry off the turpentine fumes, and workers may be provided with rubber gloves to prevent irritations of the hands.

Workers in nickel plating plants sometimes develop an irritation of the skin known as "nickel rash." Apparently "nickel rash" is due to the fact that various cleaning fluids first irritate the skin and thus make it especially liable to be irritated by the nickel.

Petroleum, benzine, lime and potash are substances which may injure the skin seriously.

## Rubber Industry.

In the rubber industry dippers develop cracks on the inside of the hand and eruptions on the rest of the skin from the substance involved in rubber solutions. Irritations of the skin may be prevented by protecting the hands with gloves.

The chief danger arises, however, not so much from the original irritation as from the likelihood of secondary infection by performing bacteria, which can attack easily a broken skin, but which do not affect seriously an unbroken one.

Disinfection of the skin by the use of appropriate cleaning after the worker leaves his work will prevent much of this infection.

## HOME FOOTBALL.

RANGERS ONCE MORE TOP  
SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

London, Feb. 23: In the Northern Section of the Third Division to-day, Rochdale playing at home to Rotherham, won by two goals to one.

The Rangers defeated Queen's Park by 4-0 in a Scottish League match. —Reuter.

electric totalisator, but it will be necessary to produce a member's badge in order to make use of the latter. The idea is that people who wish to follow the sport regularly should join the Club, in the same way as they do with horse-racing.

"It is proposed to float a local company with a capital of roughly \$1,000,000, and it will be known as the Singapore Greyhounds Racing Association. There would be no difficulty in finding part or all of the capital in Australia, but if the capital is raised locally much greater local support can be expected for the undertaking, and the profits will also remain in the Colony. The stage which the scheme has reached at present is that we have got the prospectus ready, and we are now getting the first board of directors together. Once that is done we will go to the public, and I hope that it will be possible to do that in a few days time. We hope to start racing in five or six months' time."

## The Government Attitude.

Questioned as to the official attitude towards the enterprise, Mr. Koekkoek said he understood that the reason why Government had opposed several previous schemes to start greyhound racing in Singapore was that the promoters proposed to have an open totalisator, which was taken the best legal advice obtainable, and they were quite satisfied that so long as the association was run strictly on the lines of a club they would not be doing anything legal.

OUR FOOTBALL  
COMPETITION.

## PRIZE OF \$50 WEEKLY.

The "Hongkong Telegraph" offers a prize of \$50 to the readers who send in twelve correct forecasts of the results of the English and Scottish Cup matches (to be played on Saturday next, March 3rd) set out in the coupon below. No goal scores are required; only forecasts showing wins or draws.

In the event of no reader forecasting all twelve matches, a prize of \$25 will be given to the reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts; and in the event of two or more readers sending in an equal high number, the prize of \$25 will be divided.

The competition is in accordance with the rules published in the "Telegraph" during the weeks August 29—September 24.

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Matches to be played on March 3rd.

## ENGLISH CUP.

Blackburn v. Manchester U. N. Shefford U. v. Notts Forest. Huddersfield v. Tottenham. Arsenal v. Stoke.

## SCOTTISH CUP.

Albion Rovers v. Rangers. Motherwell v. Celtic. Queen's Park v. Partick. Dunfermline v. Hibernians.

## ENGLISH LEAGUE.

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## SHAMEEN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

(Continued from page 9.)

per mensem as at present. Further that in the event of this resolution being approved by the meeting the previous scheme as passed Resolution No. 2 of 1927, be given up entirely.

No. 3.—That the Ratepayers and Landrenters do hereby authorise and empower the Council to raise an additional rate on the House and Land Taxes to provide the sum of \$1,020 for the purpose of paying this sum to the proprietor, the Victoria Hotel, Shameen. In settlement of his claim on account of loss and damage during occupation by the Shameen Defence Corps during the troubles of 1925 and as accepted, subject to approval by this Annual General Meeting of Ratepayers, by the Municipal Council at a Meeting held on July 18th, 1927.

No. 4.—That the Ratepayers and Landrenters hereby authorise and empower the Council to raise an additional rate on the House and Land Taxes with a view to providing the sum of not exceeding \$2,445 for the purpose of effecting repairs and renewals to the Bathing House Building.

## House Tax Details.

No. 5.—(In the event of Resolutions Nos. 1, 3 and 4 being carried).

The House Tax shall be at the rate of 5.693 per cent. on the total assessed annual rentals in accordance with the Assessment List already circulated: payable before March 31st, 1928.

or alternatively,

(In the event of Resolutions Nos. 3 and 4 only being carried).

The House Tax shall be at the rate of 5.6209 per cent. on the total assessed annual rentals in accordance with the Assessment List already circulated: payable before March 31st, 1928.

or alternatively,

(In the event of Resolution Nos. 1 and 4 only being carried).

The House Tax shall be at the rate of 5.6861 per cent. on the total assessed annual rentals in accordance with the Assessment List already circulated: payable before March 31st, 1928.

or alternatively,

(In the event of Resolution No. 4 only being carried).

The House Tax shall be at the rate of 5.5228 per cent. on the total assessed annual rentals in accordance with the Assessment List already circulated: payable before March 31st, 1928.

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(In the event of Resolutions Nos. 1 and 3 only being carried).

The House Tax shall be at the rate of 5.4341 per cent. on the total assessed annual rentals in accordance with the Assessment List already circulated: payable before March 31st, 1928.

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The House Tax shall be at the rate of 5.3856 per cent. on the total assessed annual rentals in accordance with the Assessment List already circulated: payable before March 31st, 1928.

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(In the event of Resolution No. 1, only being carried).

The House Tax shall be at the rate of 5.3263 per cent. on the total assessed annual rentals in accordance with the Assessment List already circulated: payable before March 31st, 1928.

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The House Tax shall be at the rate of 5.2875 per cent. on the total assessed annual rentals in accordance with the Assessment List already circulated: payable before March 31st, 1928.

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The House Tax shall be at the rate of 0.6872 per cent. on H.B.M. Government's valuation of 1921/22 for each lot: payable before March 31st, 1928.

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The House Tax shall be at the rate of 0.6752 per cent. on H.B.M. Government's valuation of 1921/22 for each lot: payable before March 31st, 1928.

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The House Tax shall be at the rate of 0.6584 per cent. on H.B.M. Government's valuation of 1921/22 for each lot: payable before March 31st, 1928.

or alternatively,

(In the event of Resolutions Nos. 3 and 4 NOT being carried).

The House Tax shall be at the rate of 0.6464 per cent. on H.B.M. Government's valuation of 1921/22 for each lot: payable before March 31st, 1928.

or alternatively,

No. 7.—The Godown Tax shall

## GAOL AND BIRCH.

## YOUNG CHINESE WHO OWNED

## A BOMB.

Seven of the eight men who were arrested on February 11 at Nos. 2 and 4 Percival Street, and charged with being in possession of a bomb, were discharged by Mr. R. E. Lindell yesterday afternoon.

The Magistrate remarked that he saw no evidence to show that three of the five men arrested at No. 2 Percival Street were ever at No. 2. These three men were the first to be discharged.

At a later stage his Worship remarked that he saw nothing in the police evidence to prove conspiracy to use the bomb. With regard to the charge of possession, Mr. Lindell said that all but the first defendant would be discharged because his Worship felt that there was no evidence to connect the others with the possession of the bomb.

The first defendant, asked if he had anything to say, informed his Worship that he did not reside at No. 2 Percival Street. He had gone there to visit a friend.

Asked if he had any witnesses to call, the defendant said that he had a father-in-law working at the Nanyang Tobacco Company, who would give him a good character.

The Court was adjourned for half an hour in order that this man could be produced. Appearing in Court later, the employee of the Nanyang Tobacco Company stated that defendant was not his son-in-law, witness in fact completely disowned the defendant. He said that he was an engineer at Nanyang's and defendant had been an apprentice to him for some time.

Sentence of nine months' hard labour and twenty strokes of the birch was imposed by his Worship, or alternatively,

## ARABS DEFEATED.

## BRILLIANT ITALIAN OPERATIONS.

Rome, Feb. 28. A series of brilliant military operations, entailing the hardest fighting by Italian colonial troops in past years, has resulted in the Italian forces extending their occupation to the edge of the Lybian desert.

The well-armed Arabs fought to the last gasp and lost 300 dead in a single action near Teprift. The total losses were between 400 and 500. The Italian casualties were 200.

A strong Italian column at Cyrenaica later occupied without fighting the oasis of Augila, and the little towns of Elcher and Ellebba, thus the headquarters of Benussi have passed into Italy's possession without a contest.—Reuters.

be \$50 payable before March 31st, 1928.

## Other Charges.

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(b) where the consumption of water is in excess as aforesaid, only such excess shall be charged for.

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No. 11.—The value of the amount of water consumed during the quarter shall be ascertained in accordance with the above Resolution No. 9 and the Waterworks Bye-Laws Nos. 17 and 18.

No. 12.—The Council shall deliver an account quarterly after 31st March, 30th June, 30th September and 31st December, of water consumed in excess during the preceding quarter by the occupier of any building, and such account must be paid within fourteen (14) days after presentation thereof.

## LONDON GREETS A GREAT PATRIOT.

## GUEST OF HONOUR AT A CITY BANQUET.

M. Adolphe Max, the Burgomaster of Brussels, who made his name famous throughout the world by the fearless struggle he conducted for the rights and liberties of his countrymen during the German occupation in the War, was the guest of the City of London recently.

It is only necessary to see Burgomaster Max to realise why he has retained his position of Burgomaster of Brussels for eighteen years, and how it was that he defied the invading enemy. Short of stature, with a carefully trimmed grey beard, he radiates personality and determination.

Burgomaster Max with the late Cardinal Mercier, did more than any other man to calm and hearten the citizens of Brussels during the early years of the War. His name sprang into renown when, on the eve of the fall of Brussels, he issued his proclamation calling on the city to remain cool in the emergency, and ending with the words: "As long as I am allowed life and liberty, I shall do all in my power to protect the rights and dignity of my fellow citizens."

He did not fail to keep his promise, for in spite of the angry prohibitions of the German Governor, he continued to make protest against the excessive War contributions demanded, and to issue proclamations to encourage the citizens, until he was removed to the fortress of Glatz in Upper Silesia in September, 1915, and there kept in solitary confinement.

Bonds of Friendship.

His patriotism and determination were rewarded in 1918, however, when, after escaping from his prison, he made a triumphal return to Brussels. He found his house filled with flowers, and surrounded by a crowd almost delirious with rapture at his return.

When the Burgomaster rose at the Horners' Company banquet to propose the toast of "The Lord Mayor of the Sheriffs, and the Corporation of London," it was evident that Belgium's great sacrifice during the war, and the patriotism of her greatest citizen, still lived, and were real in the heart of the City of London.

So great was the applause that for several minutes M. Max was unable to begin his speech. He then addressed the company, making an unusual but graceful allusion in his oration to "the Ladies," who at City dinners are, like Turkish women in a Mosque, in the gallery, and, therefore, supposedly non-existent.

M. Max recalled the State visit of the Lord Mayor of London and Sheriffs to Brussels in 1914, a visit which served to cement the bonds of friendship between this country and Belgium during the critical years following.

Speeches followed by the Lord Mayor, Mr. Potts, the Master of the Horners' Company, and Sir George Grahame, British Ambassador in Brussels.

Belgium's Recovery.

Sir George Grahame, in the course of his speech, stated that since the stabilisation of the Belgian franc Belgium had made a marvellous recovery. The reduction in the deficit on the trade balance, to less than \$17,000,000 in 1927 had been achieved principally by a series of measures for the encouragement of the export trade and by the development of the home agricultural production.

These were necessary steps, as Belgium was like Britain. She lived chiefly on export trade and was far from being self-supporting.

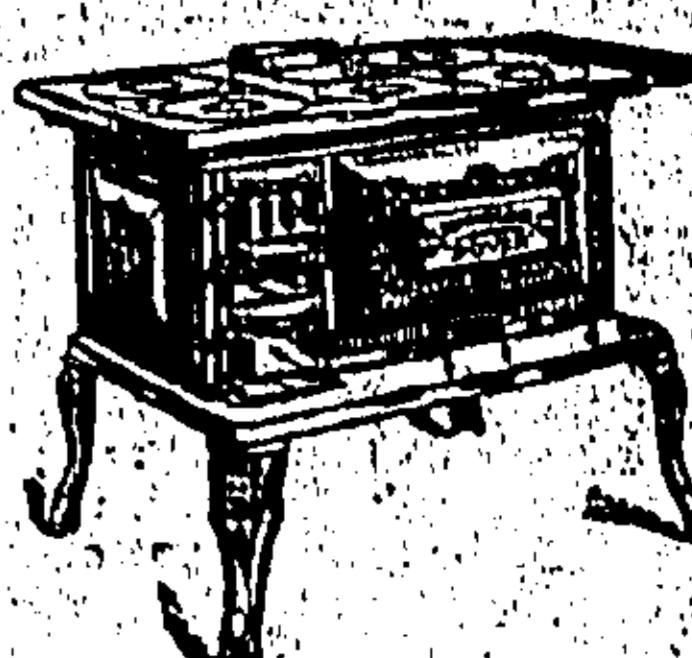
But Belgium's recovery could not have been accomplished unless all parties, Catholic, Socialist, and Liberal, had been associated in the Government of the country, thereby sparing it much political strife.

The Ambassador added that Belgium had never ceased to regard London as the world's financial centre and had continued to settle her international payments in sterling.

"Above classes and parties," he added, "there is in Belgium an outstanding figure, ever watchful, ever helpful, with counsel and encouragement, one of the great Sovereigns of modern times, his Majesty King Albert. Of him some years ago, the late Lord Curzon most truly said at the Guildhall, 'He is a King amongst men and a man amongst Kings.'

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## THE VANISHING VENGEANCE

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## CHAPTER XXV.

"Yes," said Mr. Mainwaring, "there is the killing of the man Dudley to be considered, and perhaps it is as well to consider it now."

But he didn't consider it at once. First he rose and went to the door, spoke to the policeman outside for a moment, and presents that policeman, a big and muscular man, came into the room and stolidly took up a position near Martin Stannard, and between him and Otto Rigg and Stroach.

"This killing of Mr. Dudley," said Mainwaring conversationally, "apart from its ugliness, is interesting. The facts are that Dudley waited for you, Martin Stannard, on the Common. He saw you and apparently chased you. There was an exchange of pistol shots. Three shots. Later Dudley was found dying, shot through the back. His last words can be taken as an accusation of you, Stannard."

"Do you want my version of the story?" said Stannard, evenly, his face rather pale.

"Not yet. I think that it might confuse the line of reasoning if it known facts present. Later it might confirm that line. Now to get down to the facts. The crux of the matter as I see it was that three pistol shots were fired. That means, logically, that one of you must have fired one and the other two shots. Of course, one of you may have fired the whole three and that could not have been Dudley, since he was the victim of one. I think the just supposition is that one fired two and one one. That is a point to bear in mind."

"The next point is that Dudley was running after Martin Stannard, chasing him. Yet Dudley was shot in the back. How was that?"

If Dudley was chasing you he should have been hit in front—in the breast. The bullet went in at the shoulder blade, and was found lodged against the ribs.

"Of course, it can be argued that Dudley had turned and bolted at the sound of the first shot. Was actually running away from you when you brought him down with one of two more shots that you fired. In fact, this might be held to be proved by the fact that—Dudley did not have a pistol."

All stirred and somebody gasped; Joyce did not see who it was, her eyes were fixed on Mainwaring. Dudley did not have a pistol. He, therefore, may well have been running away, but he wasn't.

When the bullet hit him in the back. And I ascertained from Mr. Rigg last night, and also from the police-sergeant, that he was found in this way . . . and that he must have been running in the direction of the Dark House when he fell. That is, he was chasing Stannard. He was hit in the back while chasing Stannard.

"To return to the one and two shots point. I went over the ground at dawn. On the ground between the point where Dudley fell and the Dark House—the line along which Dudley was chasing Stannard—I found one empty cartridge-case. One. Stannard, it seemed, had only fired one shot. Anyhow, he had only fired one shot while he was being pursued—when logically he could only have hit Dudley in the breast.

"He might have fired two other shots, though, for, in another place, I found two more empty cartridge-cases."

A deep "Ah!" came from somebody, but Mainwaring went on calmly.

"That place was a good deal to the rest of where Dudley fell—a great deal to the rear. A curious fact. I measured it off, and came to the conclusion that Stannard could not possibly have covered the distance between the two lots of empty cartridge-cases, that is between the shots, in the time in which every witness declared the three shots were fired. You follow? There is no doubt at all that between the first and the last of the three explosions no more than five to ten seconds elapsed. The distance between the empty cartridge-cases is, roughly, three hundred and twenty yards, Dudley falling about midway between. The record time for 300 yards is 36.5 seconds. That was the fastest time made by a runner trained and stripped for the dash, and running on a flat cinder track. None of these conditions obtained in Martin Stannard's case. He may have been fit, but he wasn't trained or stripped, and certainly that rough, hillocky Common is not a cinder track. It must have taken him over that record time—indeed, probably as much as a minute—to cover the distance.

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MR. COOLIDGE  
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BILL.

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Furthermore, these members doubt whether any machinery now built or likely to be built in the immediate future can be driven at top speed for twenty-four hours a day and not rack itself to pieces. They think there would have to be almost complete overhaul after every voyage to keep the machinery in condition.

Part of the marsh street in Mill Hill, Blackburn, suddenly subsided recently and a hole 20ft. deep was left. Several motorists had narrow escapes from running their cars into the subsidence, which was apparently caused by the flood water from heavy rains overstraining the culvert under

the machinery in condition.

The £250,000, and Hugo Shanly the £300,000, which was his share of the loot. There only remains your picking of the £1,350,000 robbed from Consolidated Exploitations—you naturally took the lion's portion."

"Five hundred and fifty thousand pounds," cried Otto Rigg, with a scornful laugh. "Don't you wish you could get it?"

"Make no mistake," said Martin Stannard, curiously. "The law will get it. My case is fool-proof."

"Your case," snarled Otto. "You and your case! You fool, do you think that a man like me—me, will stand by while—"

He stopped with a gulp, and shot a furtive fearful glance at Mainwaring.

"You were going to say, when you pulled yourself up, that a man like you knew better than to stand waiting about until the law came and clapped hands on you," said Mainwaring. "Put the idea out of your head, Otto Rigg. You won't be able to bolt from the country. We hold you!"

"You do, do you?" sneered Otto Rigg. "And may I ask if you have a warrant for my detention?"

"No need," said Mainwaring. "We don't need you for fraud. We hold you for being an accessory before the fact in the murder of Mr. Dudley."

Otto Rigg sprang up—he was an ugly sight. It was to be seen that he was trembling in every limb and that fear had captured him completely.

"You can't do it," he shouted. "It's wrong. It's illegal."

"I'm doing it," snapped Mainwaring. "This young lady has sworn information against you. Also we heard Stroach accuse you. You're under arrest, Otto Rigg."

Otto Rigg made a wild dash for the door. He flung Stannard aside, turned over a table in his flight. He reached the door at a bound, and Mainwaring stood watching him calmly.

He pulled the door wide open. The police-sergeant stood there waiting for him. Otto Rigg fell back with a scream, hands up, mouth gaping.

"Take him, sergeant," said Mainwaring, coolly. "He's arrested on the murder count."

Before Otto could recover a pair of handcuffs had been snapped on his wrists and he was taken away.

(To be continued.)

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## Truth and Honesty.

Mr. Drabble was a most unsatisfactory witness, and his Lordship hesitated to accept his evidence on many points further than he was absolutely obliged. His Lordship compared what were described throughout the case as the three editions of the advertisement which was the subject of the action, namely, the *Daily Mail* advertisement, certain editorials in the *Morning Post*, and a booklet of the defendants. As to the edition of the advertisement inserted in the *Morning Post* of January 22, 1927, he said that advertisement contained matters which no truthful or honest man could possibly have inserted in the advertisement if he had had no other information than that of the *Daily Mail*, which Mr. Drabble swore was the fact.

The onus of proof was on the plaintiff to satisfy his Lordship that that advertisement was original, in so far as it contained various statements of fact and of language, and in his opinion he had not discharged that onus.

## Not Original.

His Lordship said he was of opinion that this advertisement, revised and prepared as it was, was not an original work of Mr. Drabble or his company. Assuming that it was an original literary work, and that the plaintiff or his company had some copyright in it under the statute, then there were many matters which required consideration before it could be decided that the plaintiff could, in the circumstances, succeed in the action for infringement.

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His Lordship firmly believed it was intended by both parties that the plaintiff should merely act as the agent of his principal in assisting him to get his advertisement into a popular and useful form.

Hopeless Inference.

His Lordship doubted very much whether the plaintiff ever had the slightest notion until some time after the final quarrel between himself and the *Hycolite* Company, that he had any right or claim in this advertisement at all. It was perfectly hopeless to draw any inference from the course of conduct between the parties that Mr. Drabble ever obtained any right to produce or reproduce advertisements of another person, still less to have the collateral rights attached to copyright given by the Act.

If contrary to his Lordship's view, it was held that the plaintiff had produced an original literary work and had some copyright in it, it was quite plain that the copyright was only in a portion of it, and that as regarded its other portions the copyright belonged to the *Hycolite* Company. On the assumption, however, that he had some sort of copyright in some part of the advertisement then in his Lordship's opinion, he was not entitled to maintain this action. There must be inferred from the circumstances of the case a plain consent on the part

of Mr. Drabble that if he altered the advertisements they should remain the property of the defendants; at all events to the extent that they should be entitled as and when they thought fit, to insert them in the newspapers.

## Unprecedented Claim.

There were many advertising agents in this country, but this was the first time that any person in the position of Mr. Drabble, acting for an employer as an advertising agent as he had done, had ever claimed, still less justified, such a claim, that he was entitled in drawing or altering an advertisement, by reason of copy right, to restrain the employer from using it for the very purpose for which the agent had received instruction to prepare it.

His Lordship could not believe that either of the parties at the time the arrangement was made contemplated that the advertisement should become the copyright of the agent and that he should have any rights under the statute to prevent the manufacturer using his own advertisement for advertising his own goods.

His Lordship concluded: I am of opinion that even if this was an original literary work within the meaning of the Act the plaintiff in the circumstances of his employment has by contract rendered it impossible for him to have the right which he claims under the statute, that the contract was perfectly valid one, and that the Court has no right to grant the injunction claimed. I think the action is misconceived and must be dismissed with costs.

## LEGION PRESIDENT.

LETTER GOLF  
SOLUTION.

Earl Jellicoe, who has been appointed President of the British Legion in succession to the late Earl Haig.

Washington, Jan. 27.—The bitterly-contested suit of the Countess of Suffolk, sister-in-law of the late Marquess Curzon, against her brother Joseph Leiter, of Chicago, to oust him as trustee of the estate by their father amounting to millions, will be fought anew. The decision was in favour of Leiter, but an appeal has been taken and the case will be retried.

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SOME SHANGHAI  
TOPICS.

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ally fell foul of the local Jewish community by bringing out a local edition of the so-called "Protocols of the Wise Men of Zion." He was certainly had a most interesting career.

Shanghai's Newest Club.

The International Settlement and French Concession of Shanghai boast an aggregation of clubs, both recreational and social, in point of numerical strength, unequalled by few places in the world, from the standpoint of size and population. This is a manifestation of foreign communal life which globe-girdlers coming to Shanghai discover at an early stage of their sojourn under these skies.

There has, however, hitherto been lacking a Jewish Club, which has been somewhat of an anomaly by reason of the fact that members of that race form an important element of the social and cultural life of Shanghai. The gap has been felt for some little time, and not least by the Jewish residents themselves, who have now decided to remove the anomaly by establishing a club of their own, to which end debentures have been taken up and quarters already rented in the central section of the international Settlement.

The new organisation will be styled the Macabean Club, the membership of which will comprise Jews from all parts of the world—French, German, Russian, Austrian, American, British, etc. It will be run along the accepted lines of modern clubs and enable the members to mix with one another as well as with members of other communities, to whom membership privileges will be extended similarly as in the case of other national clubs in Shanghai, whose membership represents almost every nationality.

It is interesting to note that the present residence in Shanghai of Sir Elly Kadoorie, "Marble Hall," was originally designed and built for the purpose of being used as the Shanghai Jewish Club, but the scheme fell through owing to lack of funds.

LETTER GOLF  
SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

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## STUDENTS' QUARREL.

ALLEGED INTIMIDATION BY  
CLUB MEMBER.

Before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a schoolboy of the Yaumati School prosecuted another student on a charge of intimidation. A cross summons was taken out against the complainant accusing him of assault and demanding money.

The defendant of the original case was represented by Mr. L. R. Andrews with Sergeant Haywood prosecuting.

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## SIR MILES RETURNS.

ENTERTAINED AT CHINESE  
MERCHANT'S CLUB.

Sir Miles Lampson, British Minister to Peking, returned to Hongkong yesterday afternoon on board H.M.S. Tarantula from Canton and Macao. Sir Miles left Hongkong last week and after paying an official visit to Macao, went direct to Canton where he stayed for several days.

His first appearance at a public function in Hongkong was last night when he was the guest of the two Chinese members of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Sir Shou-sun Chow and Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., at the Chinese Merchants' Club, China Building.

His Excellency the Governor was also present at the function, together with other distinguished residents. The Chinese guests included Mr. Li Yau-tsun, (chairman of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce), Mr. Li Yik-mui, Dr. S. W. Tao and Mr. Wong Kwong-tine, (members of the Sanitary

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## FUNG SHUI CULT.

CHINESE SEEK OMENS IN A  
TEMPLE SQUARE.

In Hollywood Road, opposite the antique Man Mow Chinese Temple, there is a big public square, which is owned by the Tung Wah Hospital. This square has always been infested by Chinese hawkers of every description, story-tellers, musicians and palmists, who all pay monthly rents to the Tung Wah Hospital for occupying space there.

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Race Course Disaster.

The argument goes on to say that in 1918, when the management of the Tung Wah Hospital resolved to rebuild the place, and when part of the square was pulled down for construction work, the great fire at the race course occurred, resulting in the loss of hundreds of lives. The construction work in 1918 was hindered on that account, subsequently.

Recently, the argument for reconstruction of this square has again come up, and some hold the view that, if the place be rebuilt with small houses, more income would be realised by the hospital.

Two days ago, it is reported by the vernacular papers, the management of the Tung Wah Hospital employed a few Fung Shui experts to give the square and vicinity a careful look over to see how the reconstruction work should be carried out without interfering with the Fung Shui of the place.

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## CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

THE NORWEGIAN &  
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M.S. "TENNESSEE" The above vessel having arrived from Norway via ports on 23rd February, consignees of cargo are hereby notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the non-hazardous, hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., when and/or from the wharf delivery may be obtained. Goods not cleared by the 4th March will be subject to rates.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godown where they will be examined on 3rd March at 10 a.m.

No claims will be admitted unless notified and/or application for survey made in writing within seven days after landing of the goods, or in any case before the goods are taken delivery of.

Claims will not be recoverable unless complete accounts are sent in within fourteen days of final discharge of vessel.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 16th March, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 1st March, 1928, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

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## ARBITRATION PACT.

FRANCE AND U.S. EXCHANGE  
NOTES.

Washington, Feb. 28. Mr. Kellogg has presented to the French Ambassador, M. Claudel, another N. e. with regard to the proposed Franco-American treaty outlawing war, in reply to the note from France of January 21.—Reuter's

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## RETURNING HOME.

## DETAILS LEAVE SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Feb. 23.—Five hundred details of the Shanghai Defence Force proceeded home by the City of Marseilles this morning.

Colonel W. F. L. Gordon, the Commandant of the Shanghai Volunteer Defence Corps, is going home on the P. and O. s.s. Macdonia. He has retired from the position owing to his health having broken down. According to official sources, Colonel Gordon was primarily responsible for the advice to the War Office resulting in the urgent despatch of the Shanghai Defence Force a year ago (while meanwhile making excellent dispositions for the defense of the International Settlement) which almost certainly saved the Settlement from plunder.—Reuter.

## PIRATES AT WORK AGAIN.

## SHIP SATURATED IN KEROSENE.

Foochow, Feb. 28.—The Chinese passenger steamer Hunan, which left Shanghai on 24 inst. arrived at the Pagoda anchorage to-day after a thrilling though unhappy experience at the hands of fourteen pirates, who after saturating parts of the ship in kerosene, threatened to set her afire and scuttle her if a gunboat were in sight.

Not content with five cases of piece goods and \$10,000 worth of the passengers' money, the pirates made off with four passengers and the ship's shroff.—Reuter.

## SEVERE FLOODS.

## RIO STREET TURNED INTO TORRENTS.

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 28.—Twelve fatalities were caused by severe floods in the southern part of the city yesterday. Following heavy rain, water poured down from the hills, turning the streets into torrents.—Reuter's American Service.

## PARIS, Feb. 28.

The imports for January totalled Frs. 4,123,000,000 and the exports Frs. 4,016,000,000.—Reuter.

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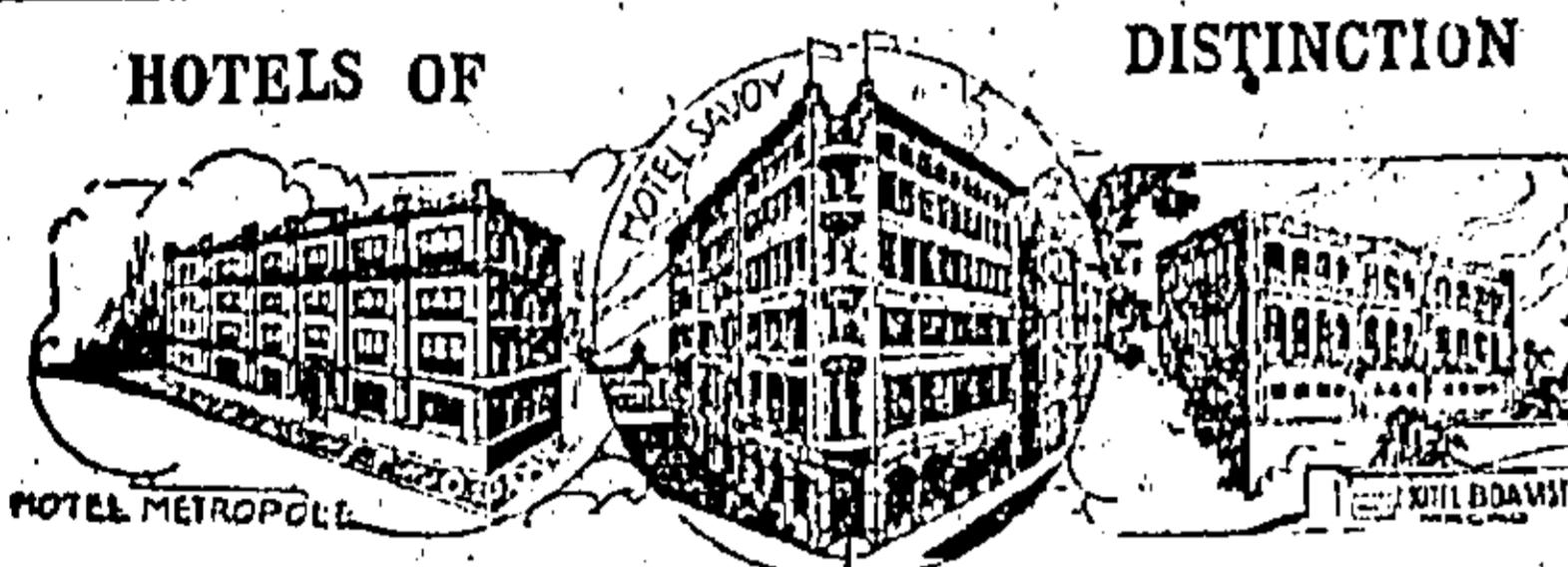
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## CINEMAS IN SCHOOLS.

AN INTERESTING SHANGHAI  
PROPOSAL.

A cinema apparatus showing educational films may shortly take its place in Shanghai schools as a silent but convincing teacher, if proposals made at a meeting of the Education Committee are approved.

The use of the cinema for educational purposes was brought up at a meeting of the Committee when members discerned from the 1928 estimates that provision was made for the temporary engagement of teachers to replace those on long leave. Consideration was given as to whether these engagements in all cases were justified.

In a memorandum the Educational Assistant to the Council declared that if the teaching staff was organized previously to meet the contingency of long leave there should be no necessity to re-

place every absentee. Referring specifically to the application by the headmaster of Thomas Hanbury School for Boys to engage a temporary assistant mistress to replace Mr. U. A. Divers, now on long leave, he suggested that by the purchase of a cinema machine and educational films a number of classes may be instructed at one time, therefore affording relief to a small staff and, at the same time, securing an excellent medium of modern teaching at less cost than by the engagement of a temporary teacher.

The headmaster of Thomas Hanbury School, who was present at the meeting, expressed himself much impressed by the suggestion and undertook to consider it and submit his report. He further promised to furnish an alternative proposal in case the cinema proposal was not accepted. The headmistress of the girls' department pointed out that owing to the absence of a large room it was impossible to amalgamate classes.

OUTLAWING WAR  
TREATY.MR. KELLOGG'S REPLY TO  
M. BRIAND.

## CONDEMNS THE LIMITS.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The State Department has issued the text of Mr. F. B. Kellogg's reply to M. Briand's Note in regard to the treaty outlawing war.

Mr. Kellogg demands that the Treaty shall clearly set forth the determination of the parties to abolish war among themselves and condemns the effort to limit the scope of the treaty to "aggressors."

He contends that exceptions and qualifications stipulating when the nations would be justified in going to war would weaken the treaty, and he concludes again proposing that France join the United States in inviting Japan, Italy, Britain and Germany to consider the Franco-American exchanges of views.

He hopes to get the principal Powers together for the purpose of concluding a multilateral treaty proscribing a recourse to war.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## Tilt at the League.

Mr. Kellogg says that if the members of the League of Nations cannot without violating the terms of the Covenant agree among themselves and with the American Government to renounce war, then it seems idle to discuss either bilateral or multi-lateral treaties.

He points out that the recent Pan-American Conference passed a resolution condemning war as an instrument of national policy and it is significant that of 21 nations represented at the Conference, seventeen are members of the League of Nations.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## MUSICAL COMEDIES.

MR. JUSTICE SHEARMAN'S  
CONFESSION.

Mr. Justice Shearman in the King's Bench Division confessed that he took little notice of the dresses in musical comedy which he thought he had seen in the provinces, though he did not mind saying that he was pleased with the performance. "These plays have only a general impression on me," he added, "and I do not regard particular details."

The play concerned was "Peg o' Mine," and the action before the Judge concerned dresses ordered for the production. It was brought by Mr. Alexander Herbert Oliver Riddell, trading as Chez Beth, of Bolton-street, Piccadilly, against Mr. Norman John Norman of York-buildings, Adelphi.

Mr. Mr. Richard Levy, for Mr. Riddell, said that the claim was for £15, balance of an account the total of which was £570, for the dresses supplied, as he said, to Mr. Norman. In his defence Mr. Norman said the goods were not supplied to him but to a company called Carabak, Limited, in which he was interested.

Miss L. Owen, manageress to Mr. Riddell, said Mr. Norman told her that he was to produce "Peg o' Mine" with Peggy O'Neill in it. There were to be ten of one kind of dress and ten of another, and some for the principals.

Mr. Norman John Norman in his evidence said he was managing director of Carabak, Limited.

Mr. Justice Shearman—What are the objects of the company?—To exploit theatrical productions.

His Lordship said that the order was given personally by Mr. Norman. It was a matter of fact, and he accepted the evidence for Mr. Riddell. There would be judgment for the plaintiff for the amount claimed with costs.

The Incorporated Society of Auctioneers and Landed Property Agents issued a Statement that the Registration Bill they are preparing will provide for the automatic registration of everyone, in bona fide practice, as an auctioneer, surveyor, valuer, land agent, or estate agent. Solicitors will be unaffected by the Bill.

## HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:  
1. What is the name of the pillar or post the winter in one of their earlier stages as ever, either pillar, or chrysalis? 2. Both are four-sided figures, with sides equal in length and with opposite sides parallel, but a square has all its sides right angles and a rectangle does not. 3. (a) Oliver Goldsmith; (b) John Milton; (c) Christian Rosetti. 4. Three crochets in a bar, six quavers in a bar, three eighth notes and one sixteenth note. 5. New Zealand ("South Island"), New South Wales, &c. 6. Because temperature is affected not only by distance from the Equator, but also by the mass of prevailing winds and ocean currents. 7. Big, strong, fibrous, wavy hairs of wool to sit in the Eastern Counties and giving them protection. 8. The unbroken law of England, based on immemorial usage. 9. The "Liberator," 10. "The Liberator." 11. That the drawers of the cheque had insufficient money at the bank to meet the amount for which the cheque is drawn. 12. Punch.SERIOUS FRAUDS  
ALLEGED.

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## Criticising Dead Man.

Sir Henry Gollan remarked that Soong was now dead.

Mr. Potter regretted he would have to criticise Soong. It was distasteful to have to criticise a dead man but, he asked, was it not better to criticise a dead man than to convict the living of fraud?

Although the trial judge refrained from criticising Soong because he was dead, he (Mr. Potter) thought such criticism would explain a good many matters.

Soong was the interpreter concerned in the O.J. action. They had been told by Mr. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings, Dennis and Bowley, the solicitors, on behalf of the appellant, that Soong was not in fact their interpreter at that time, but had resigned. However that might be, Soong had signed certain documents and had described himself as the interpreter.

## Grasping.

One of the allegations against Soong was that he agreed to help the parties in the action if they would pay him the sum of 10 per cent. of the property recovered. They had actually traced cheques to his banking account.

In the judgment it was stated that it was rather "high" for Soong, that it was "grasping" but not dishonest. Mr. Potter respectfully commented that that depended on the view one took.

Whether the two infants made fraudulent representations with regard to their age or not, the interpreter concerned had every motive for seeing that the transaction went through and that no awkward points were raised, to hold it up.

The infant plaintiffs never had it made clear by Soong, or by the other interpreter, or by the solicitors concerned, that if they were under age, the document they signed was so much waste paper.

## Never Told Meaning.

Mr. Potter said he would impress on the mind of the Court, the total absence by any party concerned to bring it home to the admitted infants, the meaning of coming of age.

With regard to Soong the importance of the charge of fraud against him was not to willy the man as they would much prefer him to be alive. Soong was acting for the plaintiffs and on the other side the interpreter was Leung. It might surprise their Lordships to hear that although he was acting for the defendants it was suggested by Soong that Leung should also help the plaintiffs to get the settlement through. Leung was to get 5 per cent; not grasping as Soong.

Mr. Potter referred to the hearing of the case and said cheques were produced which had been paid to Leung, and the only explanation offered by the other side was that the cheques were handed to him by Soong in payment of a debt by another man who was not produced. Counsel did not think that could be accepted by anyone. It was obvious that the Judge in his judgment did not accept it.

Dealing with the arrangement come to by the parties, Mr. Potter said the settlement professed to be a settlement of the whole dispute.

## Payments To Interpreters.

The trustees were to divide up the settled property. It was estimated that each beneficiary would receive \$52,764.70. A number of people were to get cash but the two plaintiffs together with four other brothers were to have certain property assigned to them. The property was valued at seven lakhs of dollars. Mr. Potter explained that a mortgage had to be paid off and eventually by raising \$388,000 the six beneficiaries each got an equal share. They had to raise another mortgage, mainly to pay the 10 per cent. and 5 per cent. for the interpreters which required \$42,000.

Mr. Potter said that all the two infants had got was an interest in a piece of property which had been mortgaged for five lakhs and in addition the payment to each of them of cash, in one case \$4,296 and in the second, \$5,296.

## No Advantage To Lie.

It was an impossible position to place the infants in. They had got two sums in cash and an equity of redemption in the property. They were liable on the face of the mortgage deed to pay five lakhs to either of the mortgagees who chose to sue them. They had been adjudged to be liable to pay the whole of the mortgage money.

Mr. Potter said the boys were only getting their right share of the property. There was no advantage to them to lie about their age. It was ludicrous to say that if they had lied about their age they had some motive. It was difficult to see how it could be pretended that by signing a document of release they knew the contents and knew they were being represented as of age. It had to be proved that they knew the contents of the document and knew they were being represented as of age. Mr. Potter also submitted there was no evidence that the deed of release was interpreted.

The case is proceeding.

HONGKONG STRIKE  
COMMITTEE.TO BE DISSOLVED BY CANTON  
GOVERNMENT.

## "RED" INCLINATIONS.

Chinese reports state that the Government at Canton intends shortly to dissolve the 1925 Hongkong Strikers' Committee. This Committee still exists in the form of a Head Labour Union, which has under its control a considerable number of labourers.

Last year, it was reported that each of the 1925 Hongkong strikers was paid by the Canton Government a sum of \$100 and after these payments were made the Government ordered that all boarding houses and dining halls of strikers be closed. This order was subsequently carried into effect. However, the Committee was allowed to remain in existence and was given a considerable monthly allowance for maintenance purposes.

During the recent anti-Red campaign in Canton, it was revealed that most of the "Red" suspects taken into custody were labourers under the control of this 1925 Committee, and because this body has been keeping in close touch with the Communists, the Government, says a Chinese report, has resolved to dissolve it at an early date.

WHARF COMPANY  
PROGRESS.

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steel craft for carrying timber. These are used for the discharge of timber steamers in the stream, which hitherto discharged along-side a wharf. This released a valuable berth which is now used by vessels bringing general cargo. The amount of \$2,500 written off lighters were only delivered towards the close of the year.

## Big Increases.

Comparing last year's work with that of the previous year, we landed 871,065 tons of cargo, against 647,057 tons; 814 steamers discharged at the wharves, against 737 in 1926. These figures show an increase of 224,000 tons and 76 vessels. We landed 90,000 tons from vessels in the stream and transhipped a total of 350,000 tons.

I do not think there is anything else that calls for comment, and I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts. When this has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions shareholders may wish to ask.

## Business Matters.

The report and statement of accounts were unanimously adopted after being seconded by Mr. A. H. Compton.

On the proposition of Mr. J. T. Bagram, seconded by Mr. W. S. Bailey, the appointments to the Board of Directors of Mr. A. W. Hayward and Mr. C. Gordon Mackie were confirmed.

Mr. J. H. Taggart proposed that Mr. A. S. Gubay and Mr. Frank Austin be re-elected to the Board of Directors. This was seconded by Mr. A. Murdoch and was carried unanimously.

Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming, and Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-elected auditors on the proposition of Mr. A. Piercy seconded by Mr. R. K. Valentine.

The chairman announced that dividend warrants can be obtained on application on or after tomorrow, March 1.

Directors supporting the chairman were Mr. A. H. Compton, Mr. A. S. Gubay, Mr. A. W. Hayward, Mr. C. Gordon Mackie, Mr. T. G. Weall, Mr. A. Cameron, and the secretary, Mr. F. H. Crispell. Shareholders present were Messrs. J. T. Bagram, W. S. Bailey, R. K. Valentine, J. H. Shaw, A. Piercy, J. H. Taggart, A. Murdoch, L. S. Greenhill, C. H. W. Kew, F. C. Hall, N. V. A. Croucher, and Fung Kong-ju.

Tokyo, Jan. 26.—The Japanese Foreign Office states that it has been decided to establish a Legation shortly in Ottawa, as it is considered that such action will be beneficial to relations between Canada and Japan. The Foreign Office statement adds that a Canadian Minister also will be appointed to Tokyo.

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